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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**1990**  
**SWAMPSCOTT**  
**MASSACHUSETTS**



## **“Phillips High School” Courtesy of Historical Society SWAMPSCOTT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

“Phillips” High School was built in 1894 and dedicated on November 24 of the same year to the Phillips Family who gave the land upon which the building was erected. The name was removed the third floor facade along with the tower in 1936 when the building was remodeled and it became “Swampscott High School” with the Phillips Auditorium added.

A second addition was added to the building in 1966 and the lawn and flagpole were removed for additional parking. In 1977 it became the “Greenwood Avenue” Junior High School when the junior high on Forest Avenue was enlarged to become the new “Swampscott High School”.

This year the Greenwood Avenue building became the as yet to be named “Swampscott Middle School”.

The cover photo was taken shortly after the building was completed. It is interesting to observe the lack of houses on Greenwood Avenue. The King Street extension, known as “T-Hill”, had not been completed. The Civil War cannon on the grounds of the school was contributed to the war effort in 1917.

Courtesy of the Swampscott Historical Commission



One Hundred and Thirty-Ninth  
**ANNUAL REPORT**

of the Town Officers

**SWAMPSCOTT  
MASSACHUSETTS**

for the year ending December 31, 1990



# General Information

**Swampscott was incorporated as a Town on May 21, 1852**

**Situation:** About 15 Miles northeast of Boston

**Population:** State Census 1990, 13,650 Persons of all ages taken every year in Town Census

**Area:** 3.05 square miles

**Assessed Valuation:** \$1,204,123,345

**Tax Rate:** \$12.49 Residential and Open Space

\$19.56 Commercial and Industrial

\$19.56 Personal

**Form of Government:** Representative Town Meeting (Accepted May 17, 1927. First meeting held February 27, 1928.)

**Governing Body of Town:** Board of Selectmen

**Elihu Thompson Administration Building:** 22 Monument Avenue

**Governor:** William F. Weld

**Attorney General:** L. Scott Harshbarger

**Secretary of the Commonwealth:** Michael J. Connelly

**State Legislative Body:** (Representing Swampscott)

Senator Walter J. Boverini of Lynn (1st Essex District)

Representative Douglas W. Petersen (8th Essex District) is the Representative in the General Court

**United States Congress:** (Massachusetts Representatives)

Senator Edward M. Kennedy

Senator John F. Kerry

**Representative in Congress:** Nicholas Mavroules

(6th Congressional District)

**Member of Governor's Council:** John F. Markey of North Andover (5th District)

**Qualifications of Voters:** Must be 18 years of age, born in United States or fully naturalized in accordance with the provisions in Chapter 587, Acts of 1972 and Chapter 853, Acts of 1973, there is no duration residential requirement for "who is a resident in the city or town where he claims the right to vote at the time he registers" may be registered.

**Registration:** Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 12 Noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. These hours are subject to change. Special sessions held preceding elections.

**Where to Vote:** Precinct 1-Machon School on Burpee Road

2-Clarke School on Norfolk Avenue side adjoining Abbott Park

3-Central Fire Station, Burrill Street

4-Hadley School on Redington Street

5 & 6-High School on Forest Avenue

**Tax Bills:** Tax bills for the Fiscal Year (July 1 through June 30) are due and Payable July 1. If one-half of the bill, plus betterments, is not paid by November 1, interest will be assessed from October 1. If the remaining one-half of the tax bill is not paid by May 1, interest will be assessed from April 1.

# Town Officers — 1990

## Elected

<b>Moderator</b>		<b>Charter Commission</b>	
Martin C. Goldman	(1990)	William R. DiMento,	
<b>Board of Selectmen</b>		Chairman	(1991)
Robert E. Perry,		Robert E. Donelan	(1991)
Chairman	(1991)	Thomas H. Driscoll, Jr.	(1991)
Daniel R. Santanello	(1991)	Brian J. Drummond	(1991)
James L. Rudolph	(1991)	Lawrence Greenbaum	(1991)
Chris Drucas	(1991)	Vera C. Harrington	(1991)
Thomas H. Driscoll, Jr.	(1991)	Brian C. Murphy	(1991)
<b>Town Clerk and Tax Collector</b>		Catherine L. Woods	(1991)
Jack L. Paster	(1991)	<b>Board of Health</b>	
<b>Town Treasurer</b>		Eugene Nigrelli	(1991)
Jack L. Paster	(1992)	Ann Greenbaum	(1993)
<b>Board of Assessors</b>		Peter Barker, M.D.	(1991)
Anthony Benevento,		<b>Constables</b>	
Chairman	(1991)	William E. Eldridge	(1992)
Vera C. Harrington	(1993)	Paul Minsky	(1992)
Ernset Mazola	(1992)	<b>Planning Board</b>	
<b>Board of Public Works</b>		Eugene Barden,	
David L. Phillips,		Chairman	(1993)
Chairman	(1993)	Peter R. Beatrice, Jr.	(1992)
Daniel P. Kelly	(1991)	John V. Phelan, III	(1995)
Kevin G. Gookin	(1992)	Veeder C. Nellis	(1991)
<b>School Committee</b>		Brian T. Watson	(1994)
Sandra Rotner,		<b>Swampscott Housing</b>	
Chairman	(1992)	<b>Authority</b>	
Richard R. Feinberg	(1993)	Michael Palleschi,	
Robert L. Ingram	(1993)	Chairman	(1994)
Mary Lou B. Sherr	(1992)	Barbara F. Eldridge	(1995)
Kevin Breen	(1991)	Albert DiLisio	(1991)
<b>Trustees of Public Library</b>		John F. O'Hare,	
Carole B. Schutzer	(1991)	State Appointee	(1991)
Paul C. Wermuth	(1992)	<b>Commissioners of Trust Funds</b>	
Thomas J. Cezarz	(1993)	Louis A. Gallo	(1993)
		Edward Krippendorf	(1991)
		Carl D. Reardon	(1992)



## Appointed by Selectmen

### Town Accountant

Keith A. Callahan

### Administrative Assistant

Patricia E. George

### Animal Control Officer

James S. Stone, Sr. (1991)

### Bargaining Agent

Neil Rossman, Esquire (1991)

### Inspector of Buildings and Inspector of Smoke

Louis Gallo (1991)

### Alternate Inspector of Buildings

Kathleen Magee (1991)

Richard T. McIntosh (1991)

### Civil Defense Director

Richard E. Maitland (1991)

### Constable to Post Warrants and Other Similar Work

William Eldridge (1991)

### Constable for Serving Civil Process

Junior Clark (1992)

David H. Janes (1992)

Joseph H. Kukas (1992)

Edward F. Riccio (1992)

### Town Counsel — Workmen's Compensation Agent

Arthur J. Palleschi, Esquire

### Senior Building Custodian

Edward F. Riccio

### Fence Viewers

Robert E. Perry (1991)

Louis Gallo (1991)

Alan F. Taubert (1991)

## Committees Appointed by Selectmen

### Affirmative Action Committee

Arthur J. Palleschi (1991)

Keith A. Callahan (1991)

### Council on Aging

Alice Winston, Chairman (1992)

Lorraine Pelletier (1992)

Ruth Roche (1992)

Martin Plum (1993)

Roberta Kaloust (1991)

Vincent P. O'Brien (1992)

James T. Kapoll (1993)

Renee Plum (1993)

### Ambulance Oversight Committee

Kevin F. Breen,  
Secretary (1991)

Jeanne Butler (1991)

Martin S. Plum (1991)

Howard E. Rotner, M.D. (1991)

Christine M. Wilson (1991)

Richard Wilson (1991)

### Zoning Board of Appeals

Ann M. Whittemore,

Chairman (1992)

Charles H. Hall (1993)

Charles E. Morrison (1994)

William L. O'Brien (1995)

Kenneth B. Schutzer (1991)

### Associate Members

Anthony Pasciuto (1991)

Peter Shribman (1992)

### Regionalization Committee

Selectman Chris Drucas

(Swampscott)

Selectman James L. Rudolph

(Swampscott)

Brian C. Murphy (Swampscott

Finance Committee)

Keith A. Callahan (Swampscott

Town Accountant), Ex Officio

Selectman George Alsberg

(Marblehead)

Selectman Thomas A. Alsberg

(Marblehead)

William Purdin (Marblehead  
Finance Committee)  
George B. Snow (Marblehead  
Town Accountant), Ex Officio

**Arts Council**  
Cindy Madfis Blonder,  
Chairperson (1991)  
Anna Irvine (1992)  
Esther Mulroy (1992)  
Pamela J. Riffin (1991)  
Agnes Raymond (1992)  
Whitney L. White (1992)  
Alice Jane Winston (1992)

**Bikeway Committee**  
Mary Powers, Chairman (1991)

**Building Code Board  
of Appeals**  
Richard T. McIntosh,  
Chairman (1994)  
Richard P. Mayor (1994)  
Richard N. Pierro (1993)

**Cable Advisory Committee**  
Charles R. Borgioli  
Chairman (1991)  
Louise LaConte (1991)  
Bruce Gordon (1991)  
Ken Mass (1991)  
Gary G. Young, Ph.D. (1991)  
Paula R. Mariano (1991)

**Conservation Commission**  
Lawrence F. Picariello,  
Chairman (1992)  
David DiLisio (1992)  
Harold J. Keating, III (1993)  
Dr. Richard P. Mayor (1991)  
David M. McCarthy (1992)

**Design Selection Committee**  
Thomas Kiley, Chairman (1991)  
Dino Stati (1991)

**Board of Election  
Commissioners**  
Francis Mancini,  
Chairman (1994)  
Marguerite A. Cunningham (1993)  
Timothy Davern (1992)  
Theodore Patrikis (1992)

**Fourth of July Committee**  
Dr. Andrew M. Hansen (1991)

**Harbor Advisory Committee**  
Joseph Monahan,  
Chairman (1991)  
Lawrence P. Bithell (1991)  
Arthur B. Freedman (1991)  
Robert V. Grimes (1991)  
William W. Guay (1991)  
William W. Hennessey (1991)  
Kent F. Murphy (1991)  
John J. O'Shea (1991)  
Louis D. Williams (1991)

**Historical Commission**  
Louis A. Gallo, Chairman (1993)  
Sylvia B. Belkin (1991)  
David Callahan (1992)  
Douglas Maitland (1993)  
Marilyn Margulius (1992)  
Donald J. Warnock (1991)  
Nancy Cropley-Backstrom (1993)

**Committee to Study Installation  
of Automatic Sprinklers in  
New Residential Construction**  
Kathleen J. Magee (1991)  
Peter Shribman (1991)

**Insurance Advisory  
Committee**  
Paul R. Nestor, Jr.,  
Chairman (1991)  
Robert E. Perry (1991)  
Charles E. Thornton (1991)

**JFK Memorial Statue Fund  
Committee**  
 William R. DiMento, Chairman  
**Memorial Day Committee**  
 Charles Popp, Jr.,  
 Chairman (1991)  
 William McDermott (1991)  
 Henry Fitzhenry (1991)  
**Recreation Commission**  
 Precinct  
 3 Andrew B. Holmes,  
 Chairman (1993)  
 1 Richard Dedrick (1993)  
 2 John L. Romano (1993)  
 4 Sherman Freedman (1991)  
 5 Marie J. Clarke (1991)  
 6 Sylvia Stamell (1992)  
 John Hughes, Jr.,  
 Member-at-Large (1992)  
**Safety/Security Committee**  
 Jacqueline Blanchard (1991)  
 Chief William R. Hyde (1991)  
 Paul R. Nestor, Jr. (1991)  
 Chief John E. Toomey (1991)  
 Alan F. Taubert (1991)

**Traffic Study Committee**  
 William McCarty, Chairman (1991)  
 Louise LaConte (1991)  
 Michael A. Palleschi (1991)  
 Officer George Gately,  
 Ex Officio (1991)  
**Veterans Day Committee**  
 Charles Popp, Jr., Chairman (1991)  
 James S. Fenelon (1991)  
 Fred P. Fried (1991)  
 Gerald D. Spencer, Jr. (1991)  
**Vietnam Memorial Committee**  
 Robert E. Perry, Chairman (1992)  
 Joseph J. Balsama (1992)  
 Phillip A. Brine, Jr. (1992)  
 Mary W. Cooper (1993)  
 David Sherman (1991)  
 Angelo Losano (1993)  
 Thomas B. White, Jr. (1992)  
**Associate Trustees**  
 Paul E. Garland (1992)  
 Keith L. Jordan (1992)  
 James H. Lilly (1992)  
 Daniel R. Santanello (1992)  
 Charles Popp, Jr., Ex Officio (1992)

## **Representatives, Liaisons, Designees, Coordinators**

**Clean Air Coordinator**  
**Oil Spill Coordinator**  
 Kent F. Murphy  
**Hazardous Waste Coordinator**  
 Kent F. Murphy  
 Mark Thompson  
**Massachusetts Bay  
Transportation Authority  
Board**  
 Richard Patoski  
 Robert E. Perry  
 Carl D. Reardon  
**Right-To-Know Law  
Coordinator**  
 Kent F. Murphy

**Labor Service Coordinator**  
 Keith A. Callahan  
**Essex County Advisory Board**  
 Thomas H. Driscoll, Jr.  
**Massachusetts Water  
Resources Authority**  
 Alan F. Taubert  
**Metropolitan Area Planning  
Council**  
 Robert E. Perry  
**National Organization on  
Disability Liason**  
 Carl D. Reardon  
**Winter Planning Coordinator**  
 Robert E. Perry

## Appointed by the Moderator

### Capital Improvements Study Committee

Richard H. Salter, Chairman  
 Bette Anne Babcock  
 Patrick D. Hughes  
 Atty. Steven Levine, At Large  
 Gerard D. Perry  
 Carl D. Reardon, Ex Officio  
 Ralph Souppa

### Finance Committee

Janet Baker, Chairman (1991)  
 Brian C. Murphy (1993)  
 Precinct 1  
 Walter E. Newhall, Jr. (1993)  
 Precinct 2  
 Louis Conrad (1993)  
 Precinct 3  
 Richard Salter (1992)  
 Precinct 5  
 Irvin F. Cohen (1992)  
 Precinct 6  
 Steven Levine, At Large (1991)  
 Marcus Buckley,  
 At Large (1992)  
 Janet Heestand, Secretary

### Town Land Committee

J. Christopher Callahan  
 Matthew Leahy  
 Marianne McGrath  
 Rhonda Tarmy  
 Sharon Weaver  
 Richard Salter, At Large (1992)  
 Brian C. Murphy (1993)  
 Steven Levine (1991)

### Committee to Study Repairs at the Phillips Beach Fire Station

Louis Frisch  
 Fred Ribicandria  
 Dr. Arthur Schwartz  
 Fred Speranza  
 Alan Kline, Ex Officio  
**Sawtelle Property and Phillips Park Complex Study Committee**  
 Donald Babcock, Chairman  
 Richard G. Baker  
 Peter R. Beatrice, III  
 Arthur Goldberg  
 Andrew B. Holmes

## Appointed by Selectmen and Moderator

### Personnel Board

Paul E. Garland, Chairman (1991)  
 Ann M. Whittemore, Clerk (1992)  
 Richard C. Bane (1993)  
 Peter C. McCarriston (1992)  
 Keith A. Callahan, Employees' Representative (1991)

## Appointed by the Mass. Emergency Response Commission

### Emergency Planning Committee

Robert E. Perry, Chairman, Board of Selectmen  
 John E. Toomey, Chief, Police Department  
 William R. Hyde, Fire Department  
 Lawrence F. Picariello, Chairman, Conservation Commission  
 Richard E. Maitland, Civil Defense Director  
 Kent F. Murphy, Health Officer  
 Alan R. Taubert, Superintendent, Public Works



## **Appointed by Probate Court**

**Roland Jackson Medical Scholarship Committee**

Reverend John A. Barrett

Dr. Robert Bessom

Dr. Richard K. Chrystal

## **Appointed by Board of Health**

**Health Officer: Kent F. Murphy**

## **Appointed by Inspector of Buildings**

**Gas & Plumbing Inspector: Peter McCarriston**

**Assistant Inspector: Richard A. McIntire**

## **Appointed by Board of Public Works**

**Superintendent of Public Works and Town Engineer:**

**Alan F. Taubert, P.E., P.L.S.**

## **Appointed by Contributory Retirement Board and Elected by Town Employees**

**Contributory Retirement Board:**

Edward F. Riccio, Chairman, Elected by Employees

Thomas F. Maloney, Appointed by Retirement Board (1992)

Keith A. Callahan, Secretary, Ex Officio Member (1992)

## **Appointed by Town Treasurer with Approval of Board of Selectmen**

**Assistant Treasurer: Barbara Bickford**

## **Appointed by Town Clerk and Collector**

**Assistant Town Clerk: Catherine L. Woods**

To receive Notice of Intention of Marriage and to administer The Oath of Office to persons appointed or elected to boards, committees or commissions within the Town of Swampscott.

## **Appointed or Elected by Organizations of the Employees Affected**

### **Group Insurance Advisory Committee**

Lt. Paul Sherry, Police Dept. Representative

Tinothy Sweeney, Fire Dept. Representative

Louis A. Gallo, Library Representative

Judith Kenney, School Representative

Barbara Bickford, Town Hall Representative

Carl D. Reardon, Dept. of Public Works and Custodians Representative

## **Subcommittee Appointed by the School Committee to Study the Renovation of Blockside Park Field House**

Thomas Belhumeur

John Burke

Daniel Cahill

Martha Cray

Richard Feinberg

Paul Gorman

William Hennessey

Daniel Kelly

Kathleen Magee

John Phelan

## **Union Presidents**

Police Department — Joseph Cordes

Fire Department — John Chaisson

Library — Susan Zbinden & Shirley Gould

Teachers — Judith Kenney (at Hadley School)

School Custodians and Cafeteria Workers — Carl Reardon

School Secretaries — Betty Lou Popp (at Stanley School)

Public Works — Carl Reardon (at High School)

Town Hall Clerical — Carl Reardon

## **Committee Appointed by the Board of Health to Study Recycling**

Mescal Evler

Sara Ingalls

Alice Winston

Daniel Santanello, Liason, Board of Selectmen

Eugene Nigrelli, Ex Officio, Chairman, Board of Health

Kent Murphy, Ex Officio, Health Officer

Kevin Gookin

Nelson Kessler

Barbara Schaefer

# Democratic Town Committee

Name	Address
Alexander, Lawrence	(A) State House, Room 504, Boston
Babcock, Elizabeth	33 Manton Road
Baker, Edythe C.	75 Stanley Road
Baker Robert Allan	75 Stanley Road
Blonder, Jeffrey	15 Shackle Way
Borten, Katherine	(A) 9 Clarke Road
Callahan, J. Christopher	44 Glen Road
Cunningham, Marguerite	68 Foster Road
Dembowski, Henry S.	42 Beach Bluff Avenue
DiGiulio, Margaret, Clerk	67 Walker Road
DiMento, William R.	64 Bay View Drive
DiPesa, Ralph	(A) 67 Aspen Road
Doyle, James T.	10 Arbutus Road
Driscoll, Thomas H., Jr.	82 Farragut Road
Emspak, Frank	33 Outlook Road
Greenbaum, Lawrence	21 Beach Avenue
Katz, Erica	33 Gale Road
Kearney, Sheila	14 Shackel Way
Kenney, Judith	9 Banks Circle
Kyriakakis, Carole	90 Mountwood Road
LaPeer, Susan	24 Lincoln Circle
Murphy, Kent, Vice-Chairman	40 Glen Road
Murphy, Brian	92 Melvin Avenue
Nelson, Teresa	36 Paradise Road
Patrikis, Theodore A.	1000 Paradise Road, Bldg. 2J
Reichlin, Abbott	8 Sumner Road
Rosenthal, Burt	(A) 69 Ocean View Road
Segal, Maddy	(A) 8 Sumner Road
Shanahan, William E.	48 King Street
Sherr, Mary Lou	39 Blaney Street
Small, Elliot	32 Bay View Avenue
Small, Margaret	
Somer,Chairman	32 Bay View Avenue
Smith, James	38 Outlook Road
Smullin, Alix, Treasurer	22 Woodbine Avenue
Valleriani, Catherine	(A) 515 Humphrey Street
Vatcher, Howard	(A) 65 Pleasant Street
Vatcher, Teresa J.	(A) 65 Pleasant Street
Watson, Brian	50 Greenwood Avenue
Weiss, Gerdy	101 Bay View Avenue
Wood, Richard L.	31 Cedar Hill Terrace

A — Associate Members

# Elected Republican Town Committee

1990

Bullwinkle, Gary	9 Claremont Terrace
Butters, Joy	53 Pleasant Street
Clain, Mary	62 Thomas Road
Cross, David	24 Ingalls Terrace
Davern, Timothy J.	38 Manton Road
Dudley, Ruby	30 Blaney Street
Fried, Fred	27 Eureka Avenue
Greenwald, Ronald	8 Captain Way
Jacobs, Leonard	400 Paradise Road
Mancini, Francis	159 Aspen Road
McGrath, Kevin	849 Humphrey Street
McGrath, Marianne	258 Essex Street
Nigrelli, Eugene	21 MacArthur Circle
O'Brien, Vincent P.	139 Kenington Lane
Palleschi, Arthur J.	3 Bradlee Avenue
Palleschi, Brenda	3 Bradlee Avenue
Palleschi, Edward	3 Bradlee Avenue
Parker, Alvah	3 Deer Cove Road
Perry, Frank H.	319 Paradise Road
Perry, Frank H. Jr.	71 Roy Street
Perry, Marilyn A.	6 MacArthur Circle
Perry, Robert E., Chairman	6 MacArthur Circle
Stanton, Harriet	86 Paradise Road
Warnock, Donald	32 Berkshire Street
Whittemore, Ann	36 Puritan Park
York, Francis	24 Laurel Road



# Board of Selectmen

Robert E. Perry, Chairman  
Daniel R. Santanello  
Chris Drucas  
James L. Rudolph  
Thomas H. Driscoll, Jr.

In 1990, one new member was elected to the Board of Selectmen. Chris Drucas joined the four re-elected members of the Board. Robert E. Perry was Chairman of the Board once again in 1990.

**Union Negotiations** — The Board reached one year contract settlements with Town employees.

**Fiscal Management Review** — The Massachusetts Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services, at the request of the Board, conducted a fiscal management review of the Town and offered long-range financial planning and forecasting. A report of their findings presented to the Board included suggestions and recommendations for more economical and efficient handling of Town business.

**Regionalization** — A joint Regionalization Committee with Marblehead was formed to investigate the possibility of regionalization. Discussions with Department Heads in both Marblehead and Swampscott lead to the realization that the two communities were in many ways already regionalized. The Committee feels there is room for further investigation of this concept.

**Charter Commission** — The voters of Swampscott elected a Charter Commission to study the structure of Town government. The Commission recommended two plans referred to in the Commission's final report as Plan A and Plan B. In Plan A, a Town Administrator is suggested along with several other significant revisions. In Plan B, an Executive Secretary is recommended along with several other significant revisions.

**Department Heads Committee** — A Department Heads Committee was formed to provide a forum for heads of all Town Departments to discuss areas of common interest.

**Proposition 2½ Override** — The uncertainty of whether or not the Town would receive its local aid distribution resulted in an override of Proposition 2½ in a special election held in June.

**Special Town Meeting** — A Special Town Meeting was held on November 13, 1990. The purpose of this meeting was to address several issues of importance relative to the fiscal affairs of the Town.

**Administrative Assistant** — The Board appointed a new administrative assistant in September of 1990. Patricia E. George commenced her duties in that capacity on October 1, 1990.

The Board wishes to thank Sister Josette Parisi for her years of dedicated service and to extend to Sister their warmest best wishes for all her future endeavors.

**Appreciation** — It is an honor to serve the Town as an elected official providing each member of the Board of Selectmen an opportunity to work in conjunction with all other boards, committees, commissions and elected officials discovering that the best interests of the Town and its residents is our common goal. The Board appreciates the cooperation and commitment to this common goal displayed all year by the members of those boards, committees, commissions, and elected officials.

# Clerk of Swampscott

Jack L. Paster

A community's annual report is an important historical document and its pages should provide a realistic overview of the year just past. All elected officials have a responsibility, in my opinion, to call attention to those activities during the year which are meritorious of applause. There is also an obligation, however, to point out activities which are not so auspicious.

The most sacred right you, as an American citizen, have is your right to vote. Since 1852 residents of the Town of Swampscott have gone to the polls to cast their ballots for the individuals they believed would best carry out the day-to-day operation of municipal government.

Your rights to elect the key officials of your community are about to be swept out from under you by members of the Charter Commission, some of whom are proposing that the officers of Swampscott be appointed rather than elected by the community.

The actions of the Charter Commission in this regard are most dangerous and while I won't use this space to offer my opinions as to why certain members have taken this approach, I must state most emphatically that the main reason why your Clerk, Collector and Treasurer is EFFECTIVE is because he is ELECTED and answerable directly to the townspeople of Swampscott rather than appointed and answerable to politicians or political appointees.

An ELECTED official can carry out his duties and responsibilities without regard to political pressure. An appointed officer must always look over his shoulder and bow to political pressure to insure his reappointment.

Enough said.

## Resignations

State Law (Chapter 41 Section 109) mandates that a resignation of any elected or appointed officer of a town is not effective unless a letter of resignation is sent or delivered to the Town Clerk. Correspondence to any other office, board or official is not acceptable under the statute. Only the Town Clerk is empowered by law to accept, process and act on resignations.

When your Town Clerk receives a resignation from a town officer, he records the document and notifies the appointing authority or the Election Commission in the case of an elected official citing how the vacancy can be filled and for how long. This effort insures that all boards, committiees, commissions and positions are kept at full strength at all times to best serve the public.

It should also be noted, since the situation came up this year, that once a resignation is sent or delivered to the Town Clerk it cannot be taken back or rescinded according to the same section of law.

Resignations received and processed during 1990 included:

Douglas F. Allen, Charter Commission; Susan Burke, Capital Improvements Committee; Henry S. Dembrowski, School Committee; Francis A. Dube, Dog Officer; Dr. Theodore A. Dushan, Board of Health; Sarah P. Ingalls, Conservation Commission; Dr. Steven H. Lefkowitz, Board of Health; Claudia Luck, Recycling Committee; Arline Maguire, Constable to Post Warrants and Other Simialr Work; Gerard D. Perry, Finance Committee; Martin S. Plum, Council on Aging; Pamela Riffin, Swampscott Arts Council; John A. Telford, Dog Officer; and Howard M. Vatcher, Finance Committee.



## Official Town Statistics — 1990

Marriage Intentions Filed/Marriage Licenses Issued .....	133
Marriages Recorded .....	132
Births Recorded (62, Female; 71, Male) .....	133
Deaths Recorded (76 Female; 78 Male) .....	154
Applications for Variances and Special Permits .....	55
Environmental Impact Statements Accepted .....	1
Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act:	
Con. Comm. Notices of Intent Processed .....	1
Resignations of Town Officials Accepted/Processed .....	14
Applications for Planning Board Action Processed .....	3
Site Plan Review Applications Processed .....	11
Public Meeting Notices Recorded and Posted .....	558
Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) Filings Processed .....	103
Certificates of Business (DBA) Issued and Processed .....	126
Gas Storage (Flammables) Renewal Permits Issued .....	15
Certificates of Municipal Lien Prepared and Issued .....	453
Dog Licences Issued .....	862
Dog Fines Collected .....	\$1,050.00
Hunting/Fishing/Sporting/Trapping Licenses Issued .....	209
Waterfowl Stamps Issued .....	41
Archery/Primitive Firearms Deer Season Stamps Issued ...	28

NOTE: Since Swampscott births occur in out-of-town hospitals, the reports of said births, as contained in the above statistical report, must first be processed by the City Clerk in the communities where birth actually took place before it is filed here in the parents' home community. There is often a lag of one, two or even three months before the official report arrives at Town Hall. In preparing our year-end report we use a cut-off date of January 20. Births occurring after that date are not included in the above statistics. In an attempt to minimize any possible confusion and to allow this report to serve as a historically correct document, we will publish updated totals in each year's report for the preceding year for the births and deaths.

1989 Final Statistics: Births — 138; Deaths — 144.

# 1990 Annual Town Meeting

## Return of Service

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott qualified to vote in elections and town affairs by posting an attested copy thereof at the Town Administration Building, at the Post Office, and in at least two public and conspicuous places in each precinct in the Town and at or in the immediate vicinity of the Swampscott Railroad Station. Said posting was done April 17, 1990, and not less than seven (7) days before the date appointed for said meeting.

Arline Maguire  
Constable of Swampscott

## Mailing of the Warrants and Annual Reports:

The Warrants for the Annual Town Meeting were mailed to the Town Meeting members and to those residents who were running for a Town Meeting seat (listed on the ballot) on April 13, 1990. Copies of the 1989 Annual Report were mailed in the same package. Copies of the Annual Report and the Warrant were available free of charge to any interested citizen in the Town Clerk's Office at the Town Administration Building.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The Annual Town Meeting of 1990 will convene on Tuesday, April 24, 1990 with Article I (the Town Election) at 7:00 a.m. in the Town's regular polling places. At 8:00 p.m. the Town Meeting will be adjourned until April 30, 1990, 7:45 p.m., at the Swampscott Junior High School.

## NOTICE OF ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING Monday, April 30, 1990, 7:45 P.M.

To the Town Meeting members:

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Article II, Section 2 of the By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott, that the Adjourned Annual Town Meeting will be held on Monday, April 30, 1990, beginning at 7:45 p.m., in the auditorium of the Swampscott Junior High School on Greenwood Avenue.

The required identification badges are to be picked up at the auditorium after you have checked in.

### **Meeting Certification:**

I hereby certify that in accordance with the adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting of April 24, 1990, the Adjourned Town Meeting of April 30, 1990 was held at the Swampscott Junior High School auditorium and was called to order at 7:53 p.m. with the necessary quorum being present (275). At 10:39 p.m., it was voted to adjourn to May 1, 1990.

I hereby certify that in accordance with the adjournment of April 30, 1990, the Adjourned Town Meeting of May 1, 1990 was held at the Swampscott Junior High School auditorium and was called to order at 7:52 p.m. with the necessary quorum being present (194). It was voted at 10:27 p.m. to adjourn to May 2, 1990.

I hereby certify that in accordance with the adjournment of May 1, 1990, the Adjourned Town Meeting of May 2, 1990 was held at the Swampscott Junior High School auditorium and was called to order at 7:54 p.m. with the necessary quorum being present (168). It was voted at 10:38 p.m. to adjourn to May 8, 1990.

I hereby certify that in accordance with the adjournment of May 7, 1990, the Adjourned Town Meeting of May 8, 1990 was held at the Swampscott Junior High School auditorium and was called to order at 7:57 p.m. with the necessary quorum being present (176). It was voted at 10:45 p.m. to adjourn to May 9, 1990.

I hereby certify that in accordance with the adjournment of May 8, 1990, the Adjourned Town Meeting of May 9, 1990 was held at the Swampscott Junior High School auditorium and was called to order at 7:58 p.m. with the necessary quorum being present (175). It was voted at 10:04 p.m. to dissolve the 1990 Annual Town Meeting.

Attest: Jack L. Paster, Town Clerk

### **Legal Advertisements Published:**

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott the following legal advertisements were published as indicated concerning the adjourned sessions of Town Meeting:

**TOWN OF SWAMPSCOTT**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**Office of the Town Clerk**

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Martin C. Goldman, Esq., moderator of Swampscott, will preside.

Jack L. Paster  
Clerk of Swampscott

Reporter 4/26/90

**TOWN OF SWAMPSCOTT**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**Office of the Town Clerk**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Article II, Section 2 of the By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott that the Adjourned Annual Town Meeting of 1990 will be reconvene on Monday, May 7, 1990 beginning at 7:45 p.m. in the auditorium of the Swampscott Junior High School on Greenwood Avenue.

Martin C. Goldman, Esq., moderator of Swampscott, will preside.

Jack L. Paster  
Clerk of Swampscott

Reporter 5/3/90

**Attendance:**

For the 1990 Town Meeting attendance, by precinct, see the list at the end of this report as compiled by the volunteer door checkers who are students in the government classes at Swampscott High School.

**Town Meeting Action**

The Return of Service was read by Town Clerk Jack L. Paster who then administered the Oath of Office to the Town Meeting members.

Monsignor John P. Carroll of St. John the Evangelist Church, Swampscott, offered the invocation. Moderator Goldman presented a plaque to Monsignor Carroll in recognition of his many years of service to the community.



Moderator Goldman introduced former Moderator Douglas F. Allen who offered remarks in memory of a long-time Finance Committee member and secretary Robert L. McVie who died April 29, 1990.

Mr. Allen's comments follow:

Mr. Moderator:

Town Meeting members and fellow townspeople:

There is no doubt that our Town Meeting is the vital ingredient in the governance of the Town of Swampscott, establishing both our by-laws and the appropriations necessary to maintain the quality of life that we desire. To accomplish these goals, the spark of leadership is needed, and tonight we pay our respects to that individual who for so many years personified that leadership—Bob McVie.

Bob first was elected to Town Meeting in 1965 representing Precinct Five, and was appointed to the Finance Committee by Moderator Dick Johnson in 1968. His fellow committee members elected him Chairman in 1969, and he served in that office until 1973. To support the activities of the Finance Committee, Bob continued as a member until 1978. With his retirement from the John Hancock, and the availability of more time, he was elected Secretary of the Finance Committee in 1979—and has continued in that capacity until now. Twenty-two years of service to the Town Meeting and the Town certainly establishes a record for dedication to us all!

While it is unnecessary for me to recall with you Bob's ways and comments—you all must have ones that come to mind—let me share with you a few of mine. True to his Scottish heritage, Bob was frugal with our money, treating it as his own. And yet, I cannot recall a time when he was not a fighter for those funds that he viewed as necessary. The master of words, with an ever present sense of wry humor, how many times when the meeting became mired in the confusion of ideas, Bob was the one who summed up the issues clearly and persuasively, so that we all could see the way to a decision. With his experience at Town Meeting and knowledge of Town Meeting procedures, he used the parliamentary process to accomplish his goals.

Service on the Swampscott Finance Committee requires countless hours of dedication, especially in the role of Chairman or Secretary. The recommendations that must be made need a thorough understanding of the issues and their relationship to other demands,

not always the most popular—and yet the job must be done. The advent of Proposition 2½ has not only dramatically increased the importance of the Finance Committee, but also magnified the difficulties of its work. Such leadership as Bob demonstrated is not an attempt to win a popularity contest, but an attempt to insure that the best results are produced for the benefit of the community. When a community leader retires, it is customary to offer our thanks. Bob was not able to bask in the glow of congratulations; however, devoting time yesterday at the Town Hall preparing to continue his service at tonight's Town Meeting.

Mr. Moderator, it is a sad duty that brings me back to Town Meeting this evening.

Tonight I wish to pay belated thanks to Bob McVie for so unselfishly sharing with us his outstanding ability and dedication over his many years in Town Meeting.

Bob, I, and all your friends shall miss you. The Town has suffered a deep loss.

Town Meeting members recognized retiring State Representative Lawrence Alexander who was in attendance at the first and other sessions.

On May 1, 1990, the Town Meeting took a Sense of the Meeting vote, "simply for procedure," that the members were supportive of an override of Proposition 2½. The vote was declared "a clear majority."

On May 1, 1990, the Town Meeting took a Sense of the Meeting vote to proceed with a two-column approach to the budget deliberations. The vote was declared "a clear majority."

On May 7, 1990 a resolution offered by Eva Peretsman of Precinct 4 was adopted, unanimously, as a Sense of the Meeting vote as follows:

"Resolved that the Board of Selectmen designate the Finance Committee meeting room as the Robert L. McVie Room and take prompt action to so mark the door and that it be done at the earliest time and that the McVie family be so informed."

The sponsor of the resolution stated that she would "be happy to donate the plaque/plate up to \$50.00."

On May 9, 1990 Gerard Perry, chairman of the Finance Committee, asked for a Sense of the Meeting by "counted vote" that the Town Meeting recommend to the community "that an override of Proposition 2½ be supported." The vote passed 181-7.

## Action under the articles

# Town Warrant

### ARTICLE 1.

Essex, ss

To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in said County:

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott qualified to vote in the elections and in Town affairs to assemble in their respective precincts in said Swampscott, to wit —

Precinct One Polling Place Machon High on Burpee Road  
Precinct Two Polling Place Clarke School on Norfolk Avenue  
Precinct Three Polling Place Central Fire Station on Burrill Street  
Precinct Four Polling Place Hadley School on Redington Street  
Precinct Five Polling Place High School on Forest Avenue  
Precinct Six Polling Place High School on Forest Avenue

on Tuesday, the twenty-fourth of April, 1990, at 7:00 in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

To choose a Moderator for one (1) year.

To choose five (5) members of the Board of Selectmen the for one (1) year.

To choose one (1) member of the Board of Assessors for (3) years.

To choose one (1) member of the Trustees of the Public Library for three (3) years.

To choose 1 (1) member of the Board of Health for three (3) years.

To choose one (1) member of the Housing Authority for five (5) years.

To choose one (1) member of the Planning Board for Five (5) years.

To choose one (1) member of the Board of Public Works for Three (3) years.

To choose two (2) members of the School Committee for three (3) years.



To choose one (1) member of Commssioner of Trust Funds for three (3) years.

Shall a Commission be elected to revise the present Charter of the Town of Swampscott?

To choose nine (9) Charter Commission members.

To choose one (1) Town Meeting Member in Precinct Three for one (1) year.

To choose one (1) Town Meeting Member in Precinct Four for two (2) years.

To choose one (1) Town Meeting Member in Precinct Five for one (1) year.

To choose one (1) Town Meeting Member in Precinct Six for two (2) years.

To choose eighteen (18) Town Meeting members in each of the six Precincts for three (3) years.

QUESTION NO. 1 Shall the Town vote to revise its present Charter and elect nine (9) Charter Commission Members?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION NO. 2 Shall the Town of Swampscott be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition Two and One-Half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to fund the expenses and costs connected with the construction of sewerage disposal facilities and appurtenances thereto?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION NO. 3 A non-binding, public opinion advisory question. Shall the Town vote to accept the proposed trash collection fee?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION NO. 4 A non-binding, public opinion advisory question. In the event that the trash collection fee is rejected, shall the Town be required to refund such fees, without interest, to all persons who have paid the fee?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION NO. 5 A non-binding, public opinion advisory question. Should the Town of Swampscott fund and support its Public Library at \$227,000, the minimum amount needed, as determined by the Board of Library Trustees, to keep the Library open without depending on an override vote?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_



QUESTION NO. 6 A non-binding, public opinion advisory question. Shall the Fire Chief's position be removed from Civil Service?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION NO. 7 A non-binding, public opinion advisory question. Do you oppose further cuts or withholding of local aid?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION NO. 8 A non-binding, public opinion advisory question. Should the State share 40% of its revenue from growth taxes (income, state and corporate income) with towns and cities on a continuing and consistent basis to help support basic local services such as public safety, public health and education?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

At the close of the election, the meeting will adjourn to Monday, the thirteenth of April 1990, at 7:45 P.M., at the Junior High School Auditorium.

See the report of the Elections Commissioners for the results of the 1990 Municipal Election held on April 24, 1990.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officials, Boards, and Committees.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted to accept the report of the Salary Study Committee offered by Chairman Paul Garland and that the committee be discharged.

Voted to accept the report of the Capital Improvements Committee offered by Chairman Richard Salter and that the committee remain in existence.

Voted to accept the report of the Phillips Park Study Committee offered by Chairman Donald Babcock and that the committee remain in existence.

Voted to accept the report of the Field House Renovation Committee offered by John Phelan and that the committee remain in existence.

Voted to accept the report of the Roland C. Booma Rink Committee offered by Chairman Francis J. Cassidy and to adopt its recommendations and that the committee be dissolved.

Voted to accept the report of the Phillips Beach Fire Station Committee offered by committee member Fire Chief William R. Hyde and that the committee remain in existence.

Voted to accept the report of the Regional School District Planning Committee offered by Sandra Rotner and that the committee be dissolved.

Voted to accept the report of progress concerning sewage treatment in Swampscott offered by Board of Public Works chairman David Phillips.

Date: 4/30/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1990, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 3: That the Town adopt the provisions of this article.

Date: 4/30/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 4. To see what action the Town will take in relation to salaries of elected Town Officials for the ensuing year.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted article 4: That the Town fix the salary of all elected officers of the town as provided in Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, for the twelve month period beginning July 1, 1990:

Selectmen

Chairman .....	\$ 2,200
Another Member .....	1,400
Another Member .....	1,400
Another Member .....	1,400
Another Member .....	1,400

Town Clerk and Collector of Taxes .....	30,500
Assessors	
Chairman .....	1,600
Member/Secretary .....	1,150
Another Member .....	1,100
Treasurer .....	7,000
Board of Health	
Chairman .....	220
Another Member .....	165
Another Member .....	165
Board of Public Works	
Chairman .....	1,600
Another Member .....	1,100
Another Member .....	1,100
Constable (one of three) .....	100
Moderator .....	100

Further, that the sum of \$2,500 be appropriated for this article subject to the successful passage of Proposition 2½ Override. NOTE: The salaries are contained in Article 5.

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 5. To see what action the Town will take concerning the budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1990, and ending June 30, 1991, and appropriate the necessary money, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted article 5: That the Town approve this article. The amounts of money are appropriated for the several purposes hereinafter itemized. Each numbered line item is a seperate appropriation. The budget amounts may only be spent for the stated purpose.

**1990 Swampscott Town Meeting Budget Appropriations/Articles Report**  
**For FY 1991 — November 14, 1990**

<u>LI/ART</u>	<u>Identification</u>	<u>Voted</u> <u>Appropriation</u>	<u>From</u> <u>Tax Rate</u>	<u>From</u> <u>Avail. Funds</u>	<u>From</u> <u>Bonding</u>	<u>Appropriated</u> <u>By Override</u> <u>6/19/90</u>
1	Moderator (a)	100				100
2	Fin Com Secretary	2,897	2,897			
3	Fin Com Expenses	170	170			
4	Selectmen — Salaries (a)	37,251	29,451			7,800
5A	Office Equipment	400	400			
5	Office Expenses	1,600	1,600			
8	Union Related Expenses	1,200	1,200			
9	Contingent	750	750			
10	Law Dept. — Town Counsel	21,115	21,115			
12	Office Expenses	3,500	3,500			
13	Parking Ticket Clerk	1	1			
13A	Supplies	1,000	1,000			
14	Bargaining Agent	10,000	10,000			
15	Workmen's Comp. Off. Expense	3,500	3,500			
16	Assistance-Fire/Police Medical	95,000	95,000			
17	Personnel Bd. Salaries	200	200			
18	Town Accountant — Salaries	62,791	62,791			
19	Office Expenses	5,300	5,300			
20A	Programming	1,000				
21	Data Processing Coordinator	4,129	4,129			
22	Treasurer — Salaries	30,910	30,910			
23	Office Expenses (b)	4,700	4,700			
24	Travel In State/Seminars	300	300			
25	Furn. & Office Equipment	350	350			

1,000



27	Office Expenses	21,200	21,200
28	Travel In State/Seminars	600	600
29	Furn. & Office Equipment	350	350
30	Town Postage Account (d)	22,000	22,000
31	Town Meeting	1,500	1,500
32	Election Commission — Salaries	36,143	33,085
33	Office Expenses	800	800
34	Election Expenses	11,400	11,400
36	Assessors — Salaries (a)	45,018	41,218
37	Appellate Tax Board	3,000	3,000
38	Office Expenses	2,900	2,900
39	Travel In State	400	400
40	Data Processing	200	200
42	Computer Maintenance	1,200	1,200
43	File Maintenance	14,000	14,000
44	Personal Property Maintenance	500	500
45	Seminars	600	600
46	Administration Bldg. — Salaries	35,430	35,430
47	Building Expenses	15,000	15,000
48	Shop Expense (VFW Building)	100	100
49	Board of Appeals — Secretary	2,000	2,000
50	Office Expenses	1,351	1,351
51	Planning Board — Secretary	1,200	1,200
52	Expenses	500	500
54	Contributory Retirement Exp. Fund	17,500	17,500
55	Pension Accumulation Fund	1,317,079	1,317,079
56	Non-Contributory Pensions (Net)	270,000	270,000
57	Police — Salaries	1,471,403	1,409,403
57A	(Sch. Traffic Super. \$43,080 not subject to diminuation)		
58	Expenses	91,767	91,767
			3,058
			3,800
			62,000

68	Fire — Salaries	1,544,902	1,346,902	198,000
69	Expenses	61,419	61,419	
78	Harbormaster — Salary (e)	2,544		2,544
79	Office Expenses (e)	456		456
80	Gas/Oil/Equip. Maint. Etc. (e)	3,145		3,145
81	Civil Defense — Director	1,050	1,050	
82	Operating Expense	918	918	
83	Weights/Measures — Inspector Sal.	4,347	4,347	
84	Office Expenses	50	50	
85	Travel In State	360	360	
86	Constable (a)	100		100
87	Building Inspector — Salaries	43,380	43,380	
88	Office Expenses	800	800	
90	Travel In State	450	450	
92	Wire Inspector — Salaries	9,494	9,494	
93	Office Expenses	150	150	
94	Travel In State	3660	360	
95	Animal Control — Officer's Salary	4,000	4,000	
96	Office Expenses	300	300	
97	Travel In State	950	950	
98	Boarding Animals/Pound/Supplies	900	900	
99	Conservation Commission Off. Exp.	230	230	
100	General Expenses	632	632	
101	Insurance	1,551,000	1,551,000	
102	Health Department Salaries (a)	75,218	74,668	550
103	Office Expenses	2,400	2,400	
104	Travel In State	2,240	2,240	
107	Inspection and Tests	4,205	4,205	
108	Rubbish Collections (f)	442,320		442,320

109	Public Wks. — Non-water Wages (a,g)	509,406	368,584	60,000	80,822
110	Water Wages (h)	284,030		283,030	1,000
111	Non-water Operating Exp/Supplies	105,100	100,000		5,100
112	"Equipment Maintenance	36,500	35,000		1,500
113	"Snow and Ice (i)	50,000	47,000		3,000
114	"Consultant Engineer Services	5,000	5,000		
116	"Highway Safety and Maintenance				
	Construction (j)	60,384	60,384		
117	"Travel In State	1,750	1,750		900
118	"Clothing Allowance	5,700	4,800		
120	Water Operating Exp/Supplies (h)	30,000		30,000	
121	"Equipment Maintenance (h)	2,000		1,850	150
122	"Travel In State	4480		480	
123	"MDC Water (h)	450,000		450,000	
124	"Communications (h)	500		500	
125	"Prof. Service Water Bills (h)	500		500	
126	"Water Meters (h)	16,000		6,000	10,000
126A	"Clothing Allowance (h)	2,100		2,100	
126B	"Wastewater Operation (h)	345,000		345,000	
127	Moth Control	8,000	5,000		
128	Dutch Elm	5,000	4,000		
129	Shade Trees	3,500			
131	Recreation — Coordinator	4,500	4,500		3,000
132	Secretary	3,000	3,000		1,000
133	Other Salaries	31,130	20,130		3,500
134	Office Expenses	1,270	1,270		
135	Travel In State	250	250		10,000
136	Furn. & Office Equip./Service	85	85		
137	Program Expense	7,315	7,315		

138	Council on Aging — Coordinator/Clk	12,350	7,904	4,446
139	Other Expenses	16,825	11,271	5,554
140	Veterans Services — Salaries	7,000	5,300	1,700
141	Office Expenses	450	450	
142	Travel In State	300		300
143	Assistance	10,000	7,000	3,000
143A	Memorial Day	479	479	
143B	Veterans Day	382	382	
144	Interest — General Debt (k)	280,010	151,010	129,000
145	Temporary Loans	22,000	22,000	
146	Principal — General Debt (l)	955,000	705,000	250,000
147	Certification of Notes/Bonds	37,500	37,500	
148	Library — Salaries (r)	180,551	148,816	31,735
149	Office Expenses	2,925	2,875	50
150	Building/Automation Expenses	28,000	22,835	5,165
151	Library Materials	46,050	16,000	30,050
152	Town Reports	5,744	5,744	
153	Street Lighting	150,000	120,000	30,000
154	Fin Com Reserve Fund (m)	619,000		549,000
155	Audit	16,500	16,400	70,000
156	Historical Commission	383	383	
157	Medicare Tax	25,000	25,000	
158	HAWC	500	500	
159	Schools — Regional Voc-Tech Sch.	100,937	100,937	
160	Net School Budget	8,098,478	7,773,678	324,800
	BUDGET TOTAL .....	20,067,854	16,608,749	1,824,500



A-4	Salaries of Elected Officers	2,500			
A-7	Unpaid Bills (n)	17,900			17,900
A-8	Transfer to Reduce Tax Levy (o)	94,947			94,947
A-9	Budget Transfers	145,086			145,086
A-28	Hazardous Waste Disposal	10,000			
A-35	Fire Department Hose	4,000	4,000		
A-38	Police Vehicles	30,040	30,040		
A-42	Harbormaster's Outboard Motor (e)	4,500		4,500	
A-46	Essex Street Bridge Inclinometers	7,000			
A-47	DPW Truck, Snow Plow, Sanding Unit	55,000	7,000		55,000
A-48	DPW Mowing Machine Repair	2,00	2,00		
A-53	Sch/Town Hall Boilers/Atomizers (q)	288,000			
A-54	School Repairs (Stanley School)	20,000		288,000	
A-55	Asbestos Removal	50,000			20,000
A-56	Swampscott HS Roof Repair (p)	8,000			50,000
STM-5	Departmental Transfers (s)	5,400		8,000	
STM-6	Painting of Senior Center (n)	4,900		5,400	
	ARTICLES TOTAL .....	749,273	43,040	568,733	125,000
	TOTAL BUDGET AND ARTICLES .....	20,817,127	16,651,789	2,203,338	125,000

Footnotes to budget and articles:

- (a) Salaries of elected officials are set in article 4.
- (b) Includes bank service charges.
- (c) Includes bank service charges and By-Law printing.
- (d) To service all departments.
- (e) From Mooring Fees and/or Boat Excise Taxes.
- (f) The appropriation under LI 108 is to be included in the amount subject to an override.
- (g) \$60,000 is appropriated from Cemetery Receipts.
- (h) To be funded through a sewer user fee.
- (i) Includes outside contractors.
- (j) Includes money for Chapter 497 work and also repairs to private roads.
- (k) \$129,000 to be funded through a sewer use fee.
- (l) \$250,000 to be funded through a sewer use fee.
- (m) \$70,000 from Overlay Reserve.
- (n) From Free Cash or available funds.
- (o) From Surplus Revenue to Current Revenue to be applied against the appropriations contained in Article 5.
- (p) From unexpended appropriation under Article 57 of the 1987 Town Meeting Warrant.
- (q) From Article 85 of 1988 and Article 51 of 1989 Town Meeting Warrants.
- (r) \$10,203 will be added from State Aid and Dog Tax Receipts.
- (s) \$3,000 from LI 4 (Selectmen's Salaries) and \$1,000 from LI 42 (Assessors' Computer Maintenance) to be transferred to LI 36 (Assessors' Salaries). Also, \$1,400 is to be transferred from "Agency Trust Fund Income" as follows: \$400 to LI 92 (Wire Inspector Salaries for the Administrative Assistant) and \$1,000 to LI 95 (Animal Control Officer's Salary).

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 6. To see what action the Town will take on the matter of transferring the unexpended balances as shown on the books of the Town Accountant as of June 30, 1989 to the Surplus Revenue Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 6: That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Date: 5/2/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to the account of unpaid bills for the purpose of settling all bills contracted prior to July 1, 1989 and remaining unpaid at the time of the closing of the Town's books for the year ending June 30, 1989 according to the records of the Town Accountant, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 7: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$17,899.26 in order to pay the following bills which were unpaid at the close of the 1989 fiscal year on June 30, 1989. Said appropriation to be paid from free cash/available funds:

Workmen's Compensation:

Medical Equipment & Devices .....	\$ 797.50
Swampscott Chiropractic .....	36.30
Elisco Perez, MD .....	806.71
Marcos Szeinfeld, MD .....	519.26
Shaughnessy Rehabilitation Hospital .....	2,670.15
N.E. Baptist Hospital .....	2,119.00
J. Jack Skowronski, MD .....	79.00
Salem Hospital .....	2,072.00

Bargaining Agent:

Morgan, Brown & Joy .....	5,850.00
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Police:

Brand & Lo.....	22.00
Samuel Alexander .....	309.50
First Petroleum .....	1,922.98

Date: 5/2/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account of the Town to the account of Current Revenue a sum of money to be used and applied by the Board of Assessors in the reduction of the tax levy, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 8: That the sum of \$94,947 be transferred from the Surplus Revenue Account to current revenue to be applied against the appropriations contained in Article 5 (the budget).

Date: 5/2/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of various funds from various town accounts which have monies remaining therein to such other town accounts which reflect a deficit, or take any action relative thereto or in connection therewith.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 9: That the Town transfer monies among FY 1990 accounts as follows:

From: Fish House Repairs — \$65,336.33 and  
Art. 43 of 1987 Fish House Sprinklers — \$2,424.44  
To: Snow and Ice LI 113 — \$67,760.77

From DPW Wages LI 109 — \$5,000  
To: DPW Operating Expenses LI 111 — \$5,000

From: Assessors Computer Maintenance Li 42 — \$660.01  
To: Assessors Salaries LI 36 — 660.01

From: Harbormaster Equipment Maintenance LI 80 — \$200.00  
To: Harbormaster Office Expense LI 79 — \$200.00

From: Veterans Assistance LI 143 — \$200.00  
To: Veterans Office Expenses LI 141 — \$200.00

From: Clerk/Collector Wages LI 26 — \$1,848.00  
To: Reserve Fund LI 154 — \$1,848.00

From: Free Cash — \$20,123.74  
To: Reserve Fund LI 154 — \$20,123.74

From: Clerk/Collector Wages LI 26 — \$3,476.86  
To: Water Bills LI 125 — \$3,476.86

From: Devins and Banks Road Drainage Funds — Article 37  
of 1986 — \$45,816.09  
To: Public Works Highway and Safety Maintenance LI 116 —  
\$45,816.09

Date: 5/2/90  
Majority Vote

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to provide funds necessary to implement the collective bargaining agreements between the Board of Selectmen and the various unions under the Board of Selectmen.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Town Meeting voted to combine action on Articles 10 and 11.

Voted Article 10: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/2/90  
Majority Vote

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to provide funds necessary to implement the collective bargaining agreements between the School Department personnel and the Town, which includes, but is not limited to teachers, school administrators, custodians, cafeteria workers, clerical and non-union employees.

Sponsored by the School Committee

Voted Article 11: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/2/90  
Majority Vote

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will amend the Job Classification and Salary Plan of the Personnel Board By-Laws as it applies to those positions not covered by collective bargaining agreements and



appropriate the necessary funds, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Personnel Board

Voted Article 12: That all salary and wages other than those of elected officers, school personnel or those covered by collective bargaining be increased by 4.6%. In the event the override is not favorable voted, the payscale will revert to the level they were prior to the increase of 4.6%.

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Personnel Board By-Laws, other than the wage and salary classification, as recommended by the Personnel Board, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Personnel Board

Voted on Article 13: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel Board By-Laws so as to reclassify certain existing positions, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Personnel Board

Voted Article 14: That the position of Police Matron, when filled by a School Traffic Supervisor, be paid at the rate of \$10.00 per hour with a minimum call back time of three (3) hours. (NOTE: Funds are included in the Police Budget)

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of Town property or to see if the Town will take any other action thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

The Town Meeting voted to combine Articles 15 and 29.

Voted Article 15: That the Moderator appoint a committee of five members to review all parcels of town-owned land and that said committee report back to the next Town Meeting with recommendations for the sale of any of these lands and the use of the funds generated by any such sale.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to remove certain positions from Civil Service, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 16: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to petition the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to exempt all clerical employees at the Town Administration Building, Department of Public Works employees and the secretary to the Police Department from the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws applicable to Civil Service status of the incumbents in said positions on the effective date of the act creating the exemptions.

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 697 Acts of 1987 to accept certain funding and benefit options.

Sponsored by the Retirement Board

Voted Article 17: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/2/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to increase the Common Victuallers License fee from \$25 to \$50, in accordance with Chapter 140 Section 2 of MGL, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 18: That the Town increase the license fees as specified in the Article.

Date: 5/2/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will amend Section 14C of Article V of the General By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott by adding the following to the schedule of dog licensing fees: Kennel license \$50.00 or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Town Clerk Jack L. Paster

Voted Article 19: That the Town amend the General By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott as specified in the Article.

Date: 5/2/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will Amend Article X of the General By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott by deleting Section one and four from said Chapter or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by Town Clerk Jack L. Paster

Voted Article 20: That the Town amend the General By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott as specified in the Article.

Date: 5/2/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of fire resistive safes and/or vaults to safeguard the records of the Town Clerk and Collector's Office in the Town Administration Building and repair the door to the existing vault by borrowing or otherwise, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by Town Clerk/Collector/Treasurer Jack L. Paster

Voted Article 21: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/2/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 39K of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, relating to the establishment of enterprise funds; or act in any manner in relation thereto.

Sponsored by Treasurer Jack L. Paster

Voted Article 22: That the Town accept the provisions of Section 39K of Chapter 40 of the General Laws relating to the establishment

of enterprise funds and to establish the water and sewer utilities as an enterprise fund in accordance with said legislation.

Date: 5/2/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 23. To see what action the Town will take with regard to the method of payment for debt incurred in connection with the Town's treatment of sewage.

Sponsored by Treasurer Jack L. Paster

Voted Article 23: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/2/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Provisions of Section 40 of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1989 regarding assessment date changes for new growth or take any action relative thereto. Since this provision is optional at the local level, in towns it must be accepted by Town Meeting in order to be effective therein.

Sponsored by the Board of Assessors

Voted Article 24: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/2/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 41 of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1989 regarding quarterly tax bills or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Assessors and the Collector

Voted on Article 25: That the Town accept the provisions of Section 41 of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1989 which allows the Town to bill real estate taxes on a quarterly basis.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote



ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Health to enter into a long term, not to exceed 20 years in duration with RESCO (Refuse Energy Systems Company) for disposal of rubbish or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Health

Voted Article 26: That the Town authorizes the Board of Health to enter into a long term contract, not to exceed 20 years in duration, for the disposal of rubbish; provided that such contract specifies it is dependent on funding on favorable action by Swampscott's Annual Town Meetings.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Helath to establish a fund to receive and expend funds received by recycling of rubbish or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Health

Voted Article 27: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/2/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town would authorize the Board of Health to engage a Hazard Waste Disposal Company to remove hazardous waste belonging to the Town. To appropriate the necessay funds or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Health

Voted Article 28: That the sum of \$10,000 be appropriated for the purposes of this article contingent upon a favorable vote of the Town to override Proposition 2½.

Date: 5/2/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a By-law regarding the use of proceeds from the sale of Town-owned land, or buildings, viz. "Proceeds from the sale of Town-owned land or buildings shall be deposited in the Town's Capital Improvement Fund."

Sponsored by the Capital Improvement Committee

The Town Meeting voted to combine this article with Article 15.

Voted Article 29: That the subject matter of this article be referred to a study committee to be appointed by the Moderator as outlined in the vote under Article 15.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Improvement Fund. This fund may receive monies by appropriation, gift or bequest. Such monies shall be invested by the Treasurer until they are appropriated by Town Meeting for a new or rehabilitative capital expenditure.

Sponsored by the Capital Improvement Committee

Voted Article 30: That the Town establish a Capital Improvement Fund and that such fund is to be managed as specified in the Article.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the necessary funds to paint the exterior of the Central Fire Station or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Fire Chief

Voted Article 31: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the necessary funds to purchase a new car for the Fire Chief or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Fire Chief

Voted Article 32: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the necessary funds to install an exhaust system at the Central Station, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Fire Chief

Voted Article 33: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to purchase forty-one (41) turn out coats to be used by the Firefighters or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Fire Chief

Voted Article 34: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a supply of hose for the Fire Department to be used on the apparatus or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Fire Chief

Voted Article 35: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the purpose specified in this article.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to purchase semi-automatic pistols and provide the necessary training for the Police Department and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Police Department

Voted Article 36: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to purchase protective vests (bullet proof) for the Police Department and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Police Department

Voted Article 37: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to purchase two new patrol cars for the Police Department and to trade in two existing patrol cars and appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Police Department

Voted Article 38: That the Town authorize the Police Chief to purchase two replacement automobiles and that the sum of \$30,040 be appropriated therefor; further, that the Board of Selectmen be directed to dispose of the replaced cars through sale or trade.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a personal computer with emulation and associated software to be used by the Police Department and appropriate a sum of money there for or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Police Department

Voted Article 39: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to purchase the Law Enforcement Satellite Training Network to be used by the Police Department and appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Police Department



Voted Article 40: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$9,100.00 for the purpose of immunizing all regular members of the Police and Fire Departments against the Hepatitis B virus or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Ambulance Oversight Committee,  
Fire Chief and Police Chief

Voted Article 41: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will appropriate the necessary funds, by borrowing or otherwise, to purchase a new outboard motor for the Harbormaster's boat and to authorize the Harbormaster to dispose of the existing outboard motor by trade or sale, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Harbormaster

Voted Article 42: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$4,500 for the purpose specified in the article and that the Harbormaster be authorized to dispose of the existing motor through sale or trade; further, that the funding be provided by receipts reserved from mooring fees and/or boat excise taxes.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the painting of the Senior Center Building located at 89 Burrill Street, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Council on Aging

Voted Article 43: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by borrowing or otherwise, the necessary funds for the purpose of purchasing, leasing or otherwise acquiring an automated voting tabulation and/or compilation system or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Election Commissioners

Voted Article 44: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint an Oversight Committee of seven (7) members with a Selectman as Liaison to review the implementation and construction of the Sewage Treatment Connection, or take any action relative thereto.

Voted Article 45: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to the design and construction of emergency repair to Essex Street Bridge approach ramps or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Public Works

Voted Article 46: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$7,000 for the purchase of inclinometers for installation on the Essex Street bridge approach ramps.

Date: 5/7/90

Counted Vote: 124 Yes; 81 No

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$55,000 for replacement of truck, snow plow and sanding unit or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Public Works

Voted Article 47: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$55,000 for the purpose specified in the article and that the Department of Public Works be authorized to dispose of the existing truck through sale or trade; and finally, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow this amount through the issuance of bonds or notes under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 7, Sub-section 9 and that the Treasurer be authorized to combine this borrowing with any other borrowing authorized by Town Meeting.

Date: 5/7/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$16,500 for replacement of one (1) mowing unit and repair of eight (8) existing units or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Public Works

Voted Article 48: That the Town appropriate \$2,000 for the repair of mowing machine units.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for replacement of guard rails and fencing for approach ramps at Essex Street Bridge or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Public Works

Voted Article 49: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to remove lead base paint from and repaint bleacher supports and replace damaged seats at Phillips Park Football Field or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Public Works

Voted Article 50: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 51. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$7,000 for replacement of 1950 Clyde Asphalt Roller and Trailer or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Public Works

Voted Article 51: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 52. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Town to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with other communities for the purpose of establishing a regional leaf and yard waste composting facility.

Sponsored by the Board of Public Works

Voted Article 52: That the Town authorize the appropriate departments to enter into intermunicipal agreements for the purpose specified in the article, any funding to be dependent on favorable action by subsequent Town Meetings.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 53. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the necessary funds, by borrowing or otherwise, to purchase and install boilers and/or Air Atomizing burners at the Town Hall and various school buildings, the purchase of forced draft burners as needed, associated controls and equipment, as well as asbestos removal and testing, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the School Committee

Voted Article 53: That the Town appropriate \$288,000 for the purposes specified in the article, specifically including the Town Hall; further, that the funding be provided by effecting the following transfers of funds already appropriated by prior Town Meetings as indicated, viz: from Article 84 of the 1988 Annual Town Meeting —



\$149,000; from Article 51 of the 1989 Annual Town Meeting — \$139,000.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 54. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the necessary funds, by borrowing or otherwise, to replace the ceiling and light fixtures and lower the heat detectors in classrooms, corridors, and stairwells at the Stanley School, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the School Committee

Voted Article 54: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purposes specified in the article; further, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow this amount through the issuance of bonds or notes, under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 7, Sub-section 3A and that the Treasurer be authorized to combine this borrowing with any other borrowing authorized by Town Meeting.

Date: 5/7/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 55. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the necessary funds, by borrowing or otherwise, to continue the implementation of an asbestos program in schools and various other Town buildings, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the School Committee

Voted Article 55: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose specified in the article and in addition, that a certified licensed asbestos project monitor be on the asbestos removal site at all times while work is being done in or around town buildings and that this monitor be hired separately from the company doing the actual asbestos removal and that at least two references be checked and approved for the certified monitor and the asbestos removal company doing the job; further that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow this amount through the issuance of bonds or notes under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 7, Sub-section 31 and that the Treasurer be authorized to combine this borrowing with any other borrowing authorized by Town Meeting.

Date: 5/7/90

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 56. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the necessary funds by borrowing or otherwise, to replace a small roof at Swampscott High School and to repair any damage done, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the School Committee

Voted Article 56: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$8,000 for the purpose specified in the article; further, that the funds be provided by a transfer of \$8,000 from the unexpended appropriation under Article 57 of the 1987 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Date: 5/7/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 57. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law of the Town of Swampscott as follows:

In Article III, Sections 4., 5., and 6. shall be reorganized and shall list allowed uses as follows:

Article III  
Section 4. Business B-1 District

In the Business B-1 District no building or land shall be used for any industry or manufacturing purpose, or for any other purpose except one or more of the following:

1. Any use permitted in the Residence A-3 District. A use in the A-3 District which requires a special permit shall be permitted in the Business B-1 District provided a special permit for the use is obtained.
2. Medical office building having four (4) or less workers in the building (regardless of whether they be principals, partners, employees or other job classifications).
3. Office having four (4) or less workers in the building (regardless of whether they be principals, partners, employees or other job classifications).

4. Any of the following uses, provided a special permit has been obtained from the Board of Appeals as provided in Article VI, Section 5.:

- a). Bowling alley.
- b). Hotel.
- c). Theater; movie theater.
- d). Public garage or gasoline filling station (other than a self-service station).
- e). Restaurant (except for drive-in eating places and refreshment stands or other similar uses, as defined in Article II, paragraph 21, and except for an all-night restaurant as defined in Article II, paragraph 22).
- f). Retail Store.
- g). Clinic.
- h). Bakery; pizzeria; delicatessen; convenience food mart.
- i). Bank.
- j). Office having more than four (4) workers in the building (regardless of whether they be principals, partners, employees or other job classifications).
- k). Medical office building having more than four (4) workers in the building (regardless of whether they be principals, partners, employees or other job classifications).
- m). Studio.

5. Any use accessory to the foregoing, as defined in Article II.

#### Section 5. Business B-2 District

In the Business B-2 District, no building or land shall be used for any industry or manufacturing purpose, or for any other purpose except on or more of the following:

1. Any use permitted in the Business B-1 District. A use in the B-1 District which requires a special permit shall be permitted in the Business B-2 District provided a special permit for the use is obtained.
2. Lumber, coal or other fuel storage, contractors' yard, storage warehouse, or uses similar in character to the foregoing, or sanitary landfill dump operated under the control and supervision of the Board of Health, provided a special permit for any use contained in this paragraph is obtained from the Board of Appeals as provided in Article VI, Section 5.
3. Any use accessory to the foregoing, as defined in Article II.

#### Section 6. Business B-3 District

In the Business B-3 District, no building or land shall be used for any purpose except one or more of the following:

1. All uses permitted in a Residence A-1 District, Residence A-2, Residence A-3, or Business B-1 District; a use in the aforementioned districts which requires a special permit shall be permitted in the Business B-3 District provided a special permit for the use is obtained.
2. Golf driving range.
3. Any of the following uses, provided a special permit has been obtained from the Board of Appeals as provided in Article VI, Section 5:
  - a). Hospital (other than a veterinary hospital).
  - b). Apartment house.
  - c). Funeral home.
  - d). Nursing home.
4. Outdoor Storage and Waste Disposal
  - a. All outdoor facilities for fuel, goods, materials, and products shall be enclosed by a fence or wall adequate to conceal such facilities from adjacent property and public view.



- b. No materials or wastes shall be deposited upon a lot in such form or manner that they may be transferred off the lot by natural causes or forces.
- c. All materials or wastes, which might cause objectionable odors, fumes, or dust, or which constitute a fire hazard, or which may be edible by, or otherwise be attractive to rodents or insects, shall be stored outdoors only in suitable and appropriate containers.

Delete from Article III., Section 6., the paragraph entitled:

"4. Site Plan", and the paragraph entitled: "7. Conditions on a Special Permit under this Section."

In Article VI, Section 5. shall be modified as follows:

Article VI  
Section 5. Special Permits

- A. The Board of Appeals may grant special permits, subject to such conditions, safeguards, and limitations on time or use as it may impose, in the following cases:
  1. To permit in any district a use which under Article III is expressly permitted in that district upon the granting of a special permit, subject to general or specific provisions set forth therein, and provided such use is in harmony with the general purposes and intent of this bylaw.
  2. To permit in any district the alteration or extension of a nonconforming structure or use, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article V of this bylaw.
  3. To permit in any district uses accessory to activities permitted as a matter of right, which activities are necessary in connection with scientific research or development, or related production, provided that the Board finds that the proposed accessory use does not substantially derogate from the public good.
  4. To permit in Districts A-3, B-1, and B-2 conversion of a single-family house, containing at least 1,800 square feet of floor area devoted to living and sleeping quarters, exclusive of basement rooms and open attic, to

accommodate not more than two families, provided the exterior character of a single-family house be maintained, except for the addition of any doors at the first floor level that may be required by the Building Code, and provided the lot area meets the current requirement for lot area as set forth and referred to in Article IV, Section 1. or the Zoning Bylaw.

- B. The Board of Appeals shall adopt, and may from time to time amend, rules relative to the issuance of such special permits, and shall file a copy of said rules in the office of the town clerk. Such rules shall prescribe the size, form, contents, style, and number of copies of plans and specifications and procedure for submission and approval of such special permits. Such rules shall be consistent with Chapter 40A of the General Laws, Sections 81Y through 81BB of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, and any other applicable provisions of the General Laws as periodically amended.

Delete paragraphs C., D., and E. from Article VI, Section 5. Insert in their place the following:

- C. Special permits shall only be issued following a public hearing, in conformity with the provisions of Chapter 40A, Sections 9. and 11., M.G.L. A public hearing shall be held within 65 days from the date of filing of an application for special permit. Notice of the hearing shall be given by publication and by posting, and by mailing to the parties in interest, as provided in Chapter 40A.

The decision of the Board of Appeals shall be made within 90 days following the date of such public hearing. The required time limits for a public hearing and said action, may be extended by written agreement between the petitioner and the Board. A copy of such agreement shall be filed with the Town Clerk.

Failure by the Board to take final action within said 90 days or extended time, if applicable, shall be deemed to be a grant of the special permit.

- D. A special permit shall lapse after two years from the date of the grant, which shall not include such time required to pursue or await the determination of an appeal referred to in Chapter 40A, Section 17, from the grant thereof, if a

substantial use thereof has not sooner commenced except for good cause or, in the case of permit for construction, if construction has not begun by such date except for good cause.

#### E. Special Permit Application Procedure

Prior to the filing of an application for a special permit, the applicant shall submit plans to the Building Inspector for review.

The applicant shall refer to the Rule and Regulations of the Board of Appeals for required documentation, fees, plans, and drawings to accompany application for special permit.

Six copies of the application and drawings shall be filed with the Town Clerk. The applicant shall file one file of the application and drawings with each of the following:

- Planning Board
- Board of Public Works
- Town Engineer
- Conservation Commission
- Board of Selectmen
- Building Inspector
- Board of Health

The aforementioned boards and entities shall review the proposed work and make such recommendations as they deem appropriate. Said recommendation shall be conveyed to the Board of Appeals by written document prior to or during the relevant hearing, or by oral presentation at the relevant Board of Appeals hearing.

The failure of the aforementioned boards and agencies to make recommendations within 35 days of receipt of an application and drawings or by the date of the relevant hearing, whichever shall occur first, shall be deemed lack of opposition thereto.

#### F. Special Permit Review Considerations

In granting approval of an application for a special permit use, the Board of Appeals may attach all reasonable and necessary conditions to assure that the character, values, and

uses of surrounding properties are adequately maintained and safeguarded.

In the special permit review process, and in deciding whether to impose any special conditions, the Board of Appeals shall take into account, among other considerations, the following:

1. Protection of the adjoining premises and the general neighborhood from any detrimental use of the lot or tract; that the specific site is an appropriate location for the proposed use.
2. Convenience and safety of vehicular and pedestrian movement within the site and in relation to adjacent streets, properties or improvements; the location of driveway openings and curbcuts in relation to traffic, adjacent streets, and existing curbcuts; the provision of handicapped access throughout the site.
3. Responsibility for, and adequacy of, the methods of disposal of sewage, refuse, and other waste.
4. Provision for the loading and unloading of vehicles incidental to the servicing of the buildings and related uses of the lot or tract.
5. Relationship of structures and open spaces to the natural landscape, and their appropriateness thereto.
6. Compliance with other provisions of this zoning bylaw, including Parking, Landscaping, Architectural, and Sign Sections.
7. Recommendations of other Town of Swampscott boards and officials.

Sponsored by the Planning Board

Voted Article 57: That the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott as specified in the Article.

Date: 5/9/90

Unanimous Vote



ARTICLE 58. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IV, Section 1, of the General By-laws, in the following manner: By inserting a new paragraph following the second paragraph to read as follows: "The Board of Selectmen may appoint an attorney who is a member in good standing of the Massachusetts Bar, or a Massachusetts law firm, to serve as Assistant Town Counsel for zoning and planning matters and, further, that said attorney need not be a resident of the Town of Swampscott;" or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Zoning Board of Appeals

Voted Article 58: That the Town amend the General By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott as specified in the article.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 59. To see if the Town will vote that all salary increases be in dollars derived mathematically, so that the lower pay scale be they contractual or with personal recommendation are not discriminated by the percentage increase on higher/highest salaried personnel, be they appointed or individually holding contracts from Town Departments, Committees, Boards, et. al.

Sponsored by the Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 59: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 60. To see if the Town will publish a leaflet which will detail the employee labor, hiring, contracts of all Town employees, officers, persons at all levels of government and departments within that parameter of all coverage, so showing the actual earnings supported and paid from the taxpayers, and et. al. sources of revenue.

Sponsored by Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 60: That the Town authorize the Town Accountant to compile, and in cooperation with the Treasurer, publish a leaflet listing the salaries, other earnings if any, and total earnings of all town employees or contract employees whose total earnings are \$2,500 or more; such leaflet to be sold by the Collector's Office at a price sufficient to defray the cost of compilation and publication.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 61. To see if the Town will vote to reduce overtime pay by the Town and all its entities and divisions and services, with the use of compensatory time off in exchange for such needed extended time services. That the School Department be included in such policy.

Sponsored by Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 61: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 62. To see if the Town will vote: That all future Town Reports list the names, addresses, total income derived through and from the Town's payroll records, regarding our Town employees, officers, et al. That such information be made available to newspapers in our areas and so be published annually as a public service.

Sponsored by Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 62: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 63. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Citizen's Review Committee. One from each precinct and three at-large members. That this committee be composed of citizens not now actively serving or working for the Town.

Sponsored by Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 63: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 64. To see if the Town will vote to have all Finance Committee and School Committee meetings televised on our Community Cable Network.

Sponsored by Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 64: That the Town direct the Selectmen to implement the directive specified in this article, provided there is no cost to the Town.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 65. To see if the Town will vote to have the School Department itemize/list, line by line, its Town Warrant Budget Requests and Expenditures as the other Town Departments do.

Sponsored by Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 65: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 66. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Sewer and Water Commission.

Sponsored by Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 66: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 67. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a Business/Residential Property Tax Classification. Since properties not owner occupied are income business properties, with all the tax benefits unavailable to the owner occupied single house owners.

Sponsored by Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 67: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 68. To see if the Town will vote to have an annual large items trash pickup.

Sponsored by Eva Peretsman

Voted Article 68: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 69. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter Three, Section 1 of the Town's Charter as follows: "the voters of the Town shall elect three Selectmen for three-year staggered terms with the candidate receiving the highest vote elected to serve a three-year term; the candidate receiving the second highest vote will be elected to serve a two-year term; the candidate receiving the third highest vote will be elected to serve a one-year term. Thereafter each year, one member will be elected for a three-year term."

Sponsored by Robert E. Perry

Town Meeting voted to combine Articles 69-72.

Voted Article 69: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 70. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter Three, Section 1 of the Town's Charter as follows: "the voters of the Town shall elect five Selectmen for one year with the candidate receiving top vote becoming chairperson and at each annual Town election thereafter, the voters shall elect five Selectmen for one year with the candidate receiving top vote becoming chairperson."

Sponsored by Robert E. Perry, et.al.

Voted Article 70: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 71. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter Three, Section 1 of the Town's Charter as follows: "the voters of the Town shall elect three Selectmen for one year with the candidate receiving top vote becoming chairperson and at each annual Town election thereafter, the voters shall elect three Selectmen for one year with the candidate receiving top vote becoming chairperson."

Sponsored by Robert E. Perry



Voted Article 71: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 72. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter Three, Section 1 of the Town's Charter as follows: "the voters of the Town shall elect five Selectmen for three year staggered terms; the two candidates receiving the highest vote, and the second highest vote elected to serve three-year terms; the two candidates receiving the third and fourth highest votes, will be elected to serve two year terms; the candidate receiving the fifth highest vote, will be elected to serve a one-year term; thereafter, each year, one of the two members depending on which term has expired, will be elected for a three year term."

Sponsored by James L. Rudolph

Voted Article 72: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/8/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 73. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to conduct an independent study of the operations, management, and organization of Town government in Swampscott.

Sponsored by James L. Rudolph

Voted Article 73: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 74. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise, by borrowing or otherwise, under any general or special law which authorizes the Town to raise money by borrowing or otherwise, such sums of money as may be necessary for any and all of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 74: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 5/9/90

Majority Vote

# Special Town Meeting

## November 13, 1990

### Return of Service

To the Town Clerk:

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs by posting an attested copy thereof at the Town Administration Building, at the Post Office, and in at least two public and conspicuous places in each precinct in the Town, and at or in the immediate vicinity of the Swampscott Railroad Station. Said posting was done October 19, 1990 and not less than fourteen days before the day appointed for said meeting.

William E. Eldridge  
Constable of Swampscott

The following NOTICE OF A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING was mailed to all Town Meeting members on October 18, 1990:

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Article II, Section 2, of the By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott that a SPECIAL TOWN MEETING will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 1990 beginning at 7:45 p.m., in the auditorium of the Swampscott Junior High School on Greenwood Avenue.

Martin C. Goldman, Esq., moderator of Swampscott, will preside.

Jack L. Paster  
Clerk of Swampscott

A legal advertisement consisting of the above NOTICE was published in The Swampscott Reporter on October 25, 1990 on page 35.

### Attendance:

Attendance for the Special Town Meeting, by precincts, is listed at the end of this report. The attendance sheets were posted on the bulletin board at the Town Administration Building as required by the By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott. Said posting was done November 14, 1990 and removed 30-days thereafter.

## Town Meeting Action

The Special Town Meeting of November 13, 1990 was called to order at 7:52 p.m. with the necessary quorum present, 175 members, by Moderator Martin C. Goldman.

Town Clerk Jack L. Paster read The Return of Service.

The Warrant for this Special Town Meeting was opened by the Board of Selectmen on September 6, 1990 and closed on September 25, 1990.

## Action Under the Articles

ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officials, Boards and Committees.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 1: That the following reports/comments be accepted:

Fire Chief William Hyde offered a report of progress from the Phillips Beach Fire Station Committee.

William R. DiMento, chairman of the Charter Commission, offered a report of progress from his commission.

Robert E. Perry, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, asked Town Meeting members to join him for a moment of silent prayer for the serviceman and women who are stationed in the Persian Gulf. He introduced Edward Palleschi who is chairing a citizens' committee to involve the community in an effort to write letters and send baked goods and small gifts to those individuals stationed in the Persian Gulf during the crises.

Eugene Nigrelli, chairman of the Board of Health, gave a report of progress from the Recycling Committee.

Gerard Perry, chairman of the Finance Committee, offered comments concerning the town's financial situation.

Date: 11/13/90

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to the account of unpaid bills for the purpose of settling

all bills contracted prior to July 1, 1990, and remaining unpaid at the time of the closing of the Town's books for the year ending June 30, 1990, according to the records of the Town Accountant.

Sponsored by Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 2: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 11/13/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will amend the Job Classifications and Salary Plan of the Personnel Board as it applies to those positions not covered by collective bargaining agreements and appropriate the necessary funds, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Personnel Board

Voted Article 3: That the Town change the existing pay scale for the Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen as follows:

From: Step 1: \$28,160	To: Step 1: \$25,000
2: 29,265	2: 25,750
3: 30,369	3: 26,500
	4: 27,250
	5: 28,000

Date: 11/13/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Personnel Board By-Laws, other than wage and salary classification, as recommended by the Personnel Board, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by Personnel Board

Voted Article 4: That action on this article be tabled.

NOTE: This article was never removed from the table and died with the dissolution of the meeting.

Date: 11/13/90

Majority Vote



ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of various funds from various town accounts which have monies remaining therein to such other accounts which reflect a deficit, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 5: That \$3,000 be transferred from LI 4 (Selectmen's Salaries) and \$1,000 from LI 42 (Assessors' Computer Maintenance) to LI 36 (Assessors' Salaries). Also that \$1,400 be transferred from "Agency Trust Fund Income" as follows: \$400 to LI 92 (Wire Inspector Salaries for the Administrative Assistant) and \$1,000 to LI 95 (Animal Control Officer's Salary).

Date: 11/13/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$5,500 for painting of the Senior Center Building located at 89 Burrill Street, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Council on Aging

Voted Article 6: That \$4,900 be transferred from Free Cash for the purposes of this article.

Date: 11/13/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account of the Town to the account of Current Revenue, a sum of money to be used and applied by the Board of Assessors in the reduction of the tax levy, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by Board of Selectmen

Voted Article 7: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 11/13/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 8. That the Town accept the provisions of Section 39K of Chapter 40 of the General Laws relating to the establishment of enterprise funds to establish the Cemetery as an enterprise fund in accordance with said legislation.

Sponsored by Board of Public Works

Voted Article 8: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 11/13/90

Majority Vote

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Section 39K of Chapter 40 of the General Laws relating to the establishment of enterprise funds and to establish the Fish House as an enterprise fund in accordance with said legislation.

Sponsored by Board of Public Works

Voted Article 9: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 11/13/90

Majority Vote

#### ARTICLE 10. HEIGHT, AREA, AND YARD REGULATIONS AMENDMENT TO ZONING BY-LAW

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by changing Article IV, Section 1A as follows:

- a) delete Section 1A of Article IV;
- b) Insert a new Section 1A of Article IV to read:

##### Section 1A. Lots in Common or Separate Ownership

Any increase in area, frontage, width, yard or depth requirements of the zoning by-law shall not apply to a lot for single or two-family residential use which at the time of recording or endorsement, whichever occurs sooner conformed to the then existing requirements and had less than the proposed requirement by at least four thousand (4,000) square feet of area and fifty (50) feet of frontage.

Any lot which at the time of recording or endorsement whichever occurs or occurred sooner, had less than four thousand (4,000) square feet and fifty (50) frontage, shall not be built upon.

Sponsored by the Planning Board

Voted Article 10: That action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

Date: 11/13/90

Majority Vote

The Special Town Meeting was dissolved at 10:32 p.m. by a unanimous vote.

# Swampscott 1990 Town Meeting Attendance Report

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>4/30</u>	<u>5/1</u>	<u>5/2</u>	<u>5/7</u>	<u>5/8</u>	<u>5/9</u>	<u>11/13</u>
1	Alex, John	X	X	X	X	X	O	O
	Allen, Jean	X	X	O	X	X	O	X
	Alpert, Julius	O	O	O	O	O	O	X
	Bates, Wallace T.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
	Bickford, Barbara	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Blonder, Cindy MM.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Blonder, Jeffrey S.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Butler, Jeanne	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
	Callahan, Richard M.	X	X	X	X	O	O	X
	Chaves, Jonas	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Choinard, Madeline	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Corso, Brenda	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
	Cropley, John H. Jr.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
	Daley, John R.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	DiLisio, David	X	X	O	X	O	O	O
	DiLisio, Vincent R.	X	X	X	X	O	O	O
	Dolan, Grace	O	O	O	O	O	O	X
	Dorson, Harold B.	X	O	O	O	O	O	Deceased
	Dorson, Sylvia B.	X	X	X	X	O	X	O
	Doyle, William	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
	Fenelon, James S.	-	X	X	O	X	X	O
	Greco, Frederick	X	X	X	X	X	O	O
	Green, Joyce	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
	Green, Lawrence	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Guarnieri, Carla	X	X	X	O	X	X	X
	Harrington, Vera C.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Harris, Ethel	X	X	X	O	X	X	O
	Hill, Allen	O	O	O	X	O	O	X
	Hyde, William R.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Irvine, Anna	O	X	X	X	X	O	X
	Kaloust, Gerald	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Kaloust, Roberta	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
	Kearney, Shiela P.	X	X	O	X	X	X	O
	Legre, David J.	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
	Legre, J. Arthur	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Leonard, Timothy M.	X	X	X	X	O	O	X
	Mackey, William E.	X	X	X	O	X	X	O
	McGrath, Marianne M.	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
	Mitchell, Bernice	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
	Murphy, Brian	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Nigrelli, Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Noonan, Jane	X	X	O	O	O	O	X
	Palleschi, Michael A.	X	O	X	X	X	X	O

Perry, Robert E.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Picariello, Lawrence	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Plum, Martin	-	X	X	X	X	O	O
Simeone, Mary B.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Simeone, Salvatore J.	X	X	X	X	X	O	O
Speranza, Alfred C.	O	X	O	X	X	X	O
Speranza, Frances N.	O	X	O	X	X	X	O
Tamborini, Thomas	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Waldfogel, Peter D.	X	O	X	O	X	X	O
Whittier, Douglas	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Yanofsky, Phillip S.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Barden, Eugene	O	X	X	X	X	O	O
Beatrice, Colleen	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bowen, David	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
Boyce, Thomas J. Jr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Brine, Phillip A. Jr.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Buonopane, Susan	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
Buonopane, William	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cassidy, Peter J.	X	X	O	X	O	X	X
Casso, Mark	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Doherty, John J.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Driscoll, Thomas H. Jr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Drucas, Chris	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dube, Angela	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Dube, John R.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Gambale, Mary Jane	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gambale, Michael	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gookin, Kevin	X	X	O	X	X	O	X
Haley, Douglas H.	X	X	O	X	X	X	X
Haley, Linda	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Hallion, William	O	X	X	X	X	O	X
Hughes, John J. Jr.	X	X	X	O	X	X	X
Hughes, Nancy	X	O	X	X	O	X	O
Jarvis, Nancy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Keddie, James	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kelly, Barbara	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Kelly, Gordon Jr.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Kenney, Judith A.	X	O	X	X	X	O	X
LaConte, Louise M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
LaConte, Vincent	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Leahy, Matthew	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Leahy, Shiela T.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lesnever, Leland	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Lesnever, Marjorie	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lesnever, Mitchell Lee	X	X	X	O	X	X	O
Maguire, Arline	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Marcou, Martha	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mariano, Paula	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
McCarriston, Richard	O	O	O	O	O	O	O



Newhall, Linda A.	X	X	X	O	X	X	X
Newhall, Walter E.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
O'Shea, John	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ott, Margaret	O	X	X	X	X	O	O
Paster, Jack L.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Reagen, John	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Romano, John	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Shanahan, Joseph	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sherry, Paul	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Squires, Deborah	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Squires, John Jr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sweeny, Timothy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Travascio, William	X	X	O	X	O	O	X
Warnock, Sharyn	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Weiss, Bette	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Whelan, David P. Jr.	O	O	X	X	X	X	X
Balliro, Anita	X	X	X	O	X	X	O
Breen, Kevin	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Brunner, Michael	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Chesley, Bruce R.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Clain, Christopher	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Conrad, Louis E.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Croft, Paul	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cullen, C. Paige Jr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Daivs, Murray	O	O	O	O	X	O	X
Dugan, Ellen	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eldridge, Barbara	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Farwell, Donna L.	X	X	O	O	O	O	X
Fields, Scott	X	X	O	O	O	O	X
Garvey, Ellen	X	X	X	O	X	X	X
Garvey, Michael	X	X	X	O	O	X	X
Gilbert, Michael	O	O	O	O	O	O	Moved
Goramn, Paul J.	X	X	X	X	O	O	X
Greenbaum, Ann	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Greenbaum, Lawrence	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Hendrickson, Ruth E.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Holmes, Betty	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hootnick, Lewis E.	O	O	O	O	O	O	Moved
Huber, Richard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hunt, Richard W.	X	O	X	X	X	O	O
Hyde, William Jr.	X	X	O	O	O	X	O
Jacobs, Scott	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Kane, John C.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kelly, Daniel P.	X	X	X	X	O	X	O
Koscielecki, Martha J.	X	X	X	X	O	O	O
Krumhansl, Ruth	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Longley, Roberta	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
MacDonald, Jane P.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Modini, Louis	X	O	X	O	O	O	O

Moltz, Sandra	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nestor, Paul R. Jr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
O'Connor, Evelyn	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
O'Connor, Leighton M.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Olson, Nancy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Owens, Charles Jr.	X	X	O	X	X	X	X
Perry, Gerard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Polsky, Melvin	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Scanlon, Thomas M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Siegel, Lisa	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
Smith, Huntley E.	O	O	X	O	X	X	O
Souppa, Ralph A. Jr.	X	X	X	O	X	X	O
Spinale, Dominic	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Terrell, Darla	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Terrell, John	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thompson, Mark J.	X	X	X	O	X	X	O
Trapasso, Joyce M.	X	O	X	X	X	O	X
Walsh, Catherine	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wasserman, Steven	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wennik, Joanne	X	O	X	X	X	X	X
Wittlinger, Ellen	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Baker, Janet	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Baker, Richard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Balsama, Joseph	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Beatrice, Peter R. III	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Beatrice, Carol A.	X	X	O	O	X	X	O
Buckley, Marcus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Buckley, Susan	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bush, Ann M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Calichman, Harvey	X	O	X	X	O	O	O
Carden, Nancy	X	X	X	X	X	O	O
Cassidy, Francis J.	X	O	X	X	O	O	X
Cassidy, Patricia E.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Cassidy, Peter J. II	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Cassidy, Tara L.	X	X	O	O	X	O	O
Cesarz, Martha	X	X	O	X	X	X	X
DeCamp, Margaret	X	X	O	O	X	X	X
DiMento, Carol A. G.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
DiMento, William R.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Donelan, Robert E.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Dragani, Anthony	X	X	O	O	X	O	O
Drummond, Brian	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Finn, Marvin	O	O	X	O	O	O	X
Freedman, Arthur B.	X	X	O	X	X	X	O
Gold, John A.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Gould, Gardner L.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hughes, Patrick	X	X	X	O	X	O	X
Kelleher, Martha Gene	X	X	O	O	X	X	X
Kiely, Leslie S.	X	X	O	X	X	X	X

Kline, Alan D.	X	X	X	O	O	O	X
Krippendorff, Edward W.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Levine, Steven B.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Martin, Michael J.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Mazola, Ernest J.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Morrison, Charles E.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Murphy, Patricia M.	X	X	O	X	X	O	O
Murphy, Robert W.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Nelson, Corrine	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Page, Donald M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Palleschi, Edward A.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Peretsman, Eva B.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Phelan, John V. III	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Portnoy, Linda	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
Proctor, Sue E.	X	X	O	X	X	X	X
Rozen, Nancy	O	X	X	X	O	X	X
Santanello, Daniel	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
Shanahan, Patricia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Shanahan, William	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sherr, Mary Lou B.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Small, Margaret	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Smith, James E.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Watson, Brian T.	O	X	X	X	X	X	X
Weaver, Sharon	X	X	O	X	X	X	X
Webster, Floyd W.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Whitkin, Nancee L.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bane, Richard C.	X	X	X	X	X	O	O
Belhumeur, Cynthia H.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Belhumeur, R. Thomas	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bloch, Israel	X	X	X	X	X	O	O
Burke, John F.	X	X	O	X	O	O	X
Callahan, J. Christopher	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cassidy, Catherine	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Clarke, Marie J.	X	X	O	X	X	X	X
Cropley-Backstrom, Nancy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Epstein, Michael	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Gallo, Louis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Garfield, Suzanne J.	-	-	-	X	X	X	X
Goldberg, Deborah E.	O	O	O	X	X	X	X
Goldstein, Francine	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Goldstein, Stanley	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Guy, Clinton J. Jr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hansen, Andrew M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hennessey, Mersine	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hennessey, William	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Herwitz, Carla B.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Herwitz, David R.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ingram, Robert	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kahn, Beverly	O	X	O	O	X	O	O

Machnes, Amy R.	-	-	-	X	X	X	X
Maitland, Richard E.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Murphy, Kent F.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nellis, Veeder C.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
O'Brien, Timothy	X	X	O	X	X	O	X
O'Brien, Vincent P.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
O'Brien, William L.	X	X	O	X	X	O	X
Perlman, Harriet	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Reardon, Carl D.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rogers, Roberta	X	O	X	X	X	X	X
Rotner, Howard E.	X	X	X	O	X	X	O
Rotner, Sandra T.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Rudolph, James L.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Salinsky, Jody	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Salter, Richard H.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Shapiro, Mary J.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Shore, Geraldine	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Shore, Warren J.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Sklar, Albert J.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Sklar, Selma	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Smullin, Alix	X	X	O	X	O	O	X
Tarmy, Rhonda	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Vatcher, Howard M.	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Vatcher, Theresa J.	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Waelde, Carmen S.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Wayne, Noreen S.	-	-	-	X	X	X	X
Winston, Alice J.	O	O	X	X	X	O	X
Wollerscheid, William	X	X	O	X	X	O	O
York, Francis A.	X	O	X	O	X	X	O
York, Phyllis A.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Babcock, Donald H.	X	X	X	O	X	X	X
Babncock, Elizabeth A.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bayard, Susan	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Best, Mary	X	X	X	X	X	O	O
Blonder, Susan A.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Callahan, James C.	X	X	X	O	X	X	X
Cleveland, Pamela	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cohen, Irwin	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dembowski, Claire	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dembowski, Henry S.	O	X	O	O	O	O	O
Dussault, Barbara R.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Erlich, Norman A.	X	X	X	O	X	O	O
Feinberg, Richard R.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Feldman, Saul J.	X	X	O	X	O	X	O
Glosband, Merrily	X	X	X	O	X	X	X
Goldberg, Arthur	X	X	O	X	X	X	O
Goldman, Martin C.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Grab, Barbara	O	X	X	X	X	X	O
Gupta, Mary M. K.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X



Kaplan, Susan	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kessler, Nelson	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kimmel, Faith R.	X	X	X	X	O	O	O
Kimmel, Sidney R.	X	X	X	X	O	O	O
Klayman, Nancy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Koidin, Jill	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kraft, Lori	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kravetz, Myer	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Kravetz, Phyllis	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Lack, Janet C.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
LaPeer, Susan Nault	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Light, Jonathan	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Maloney, Betty Ann	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mulroy, Esther D.	O	O	X	X	X	X	X
Mulroy, Michael	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Navon, Ann	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
New, James	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Oppenheim, Reeve	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Palleschi, Arthur J.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Patrinos, Chris G.	X	X	X	X	O	O	Resigned
Schwartz, Cheryl	X	X	X	O	X	O	X
Schwartz, Janet S.	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
Segal, Maddy	X	X	X	X	O	X	O
Sheckman, Sandra	X	X	X	X	O	O	O
Shoer, Faith R.	X	X	X	O	X	X	X
Shribman, Peter	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Schutzer, Carol	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
Schutzer, Kenneth B.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Silvius, Charles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Spartos, Mary Anne	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Stoll, Gayle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Taymore, Jack J.	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
Weaver, Walter	X	X	X	O	O	X	X
Whittemore, Ann	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wistran, Julia A.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

# Collector of Taxes — Town Collector

Jack L. Paster

Quarterly tax bills: blessing or nightmare? That was the biggest story of 1990.

Until this year, local property taxes were paid twice a year on November and May 1. To meet operating expenses, however, communities were forced to borrow money for short periods of time in anticipation of the tax revenues. In Swampscott, the cost for these temporary borrowings was \$67,500 per year, and while much of that cost was offset by investment earnings, the \$67,500 had to be appropriated as part of the town's operating budget.

All communities, due to the restrictions of Proposition 2½, found themselves in financial trouble. They looked to the state for help . . . but the state was nearly bankrupt. The brain trust on Beacon Hill passed a law which was designed to bring local property taxes into municipal coffers faster while decreasing the need for temporary borrowing and providing an opportunity for increased investment income. Hence the quarterly tax billing system was invented and offered to communities as a "local option law" which meant it could or could not be adopted by each municipality.

Quarterly taxes were nothing more than an early holiday gift from the Commonwealth that they didn't have to pay for.

A slick mailer was sent not only to municipal Collectors and Treasurers but also to Selectmen and Finance Committee members. The mailer touted the quarterly tax billing proposal as a way to save money for municipalities. Estimates of the money to be saved (and earned through increased investments) ran as high as \$150,000.

When the Swampscott Finance Committee saw that they could chop \$67,500 from the town's Debt Budget they ran full steam ahead with the proposal. No consideration was given to the increased workload in the Collector's Office in the light of recent reduction in staff nor whether the in-house computer system could accommodate the proposal.

As your Collector, I studied the available information and attended at least two seminars on the quarterly tax bill topic sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue. In preparation for my budget discussions with the Finance Committee I prepared a list of

the pros and cons of the proposal. My list of cons far outweighed the list of pros from an operational standpoint and despite assurances of financial and personnel cooperation to implement the quarterly tax billing system I expressed strong reservations that Swampscott was simply not ready for quarterly taxes, lacked the sophisticated computerization necessary to enact the program and argued against its implementation.

The Finance Committee was only interested in the immediate freeing-up of \$67,500 to be used elsewhere in the budget and the potential for increased investment income. They said, in effect, "Just do it."

Town Meeting members, the town's legislative body, accepted the statute to collect taxes four times a year.

The first two tax notices to homeowners were preliminary/estimated bills based on one-half of the net property taxes paid during the previous year. The bill due August 1 and the bill due November 1 were stuffed into envelopes together with an informational flyer explaining the system. With the idea being to save money, four separate mailings were not possible.

The August 1 first quarterly payment went well. But many property owners "forgot" that their second quarterly tax bill had to be paid before November 1 even though the payment date was printed on each bill and widely publicized in the local media.

The third and fourth quarterly bills, with payments due by February 1 and May 1 respectively, were mailed December 26 and like the first two tax notices, they were mailed in the same envelope.

The third payment bill included any unpaid balance from the first and second tax periods as well as unpaid rubbish fee assessments, unpaid prior year's water usage fees, sewer apportionments and the bulk of the property tax increase caused by the town's override of Proposition 2½ and the debt override for the sewer hook-up with Lynn.

A computer programming error omitted so-called yard items from the total valuation (garages, greenhouses, swimming pools, sheds etc.) and the third and fourth quarter bills were not split evenly as required.

As a result, over 2,200 corrected bills had to be printed, and mailed and even those corrected bills were incorrect. The yard items that were omitted from the original assessments were added into the "land" value instead of in the "improvements" value where they belong.

Adding to the computerization woes, the August 1 and November 1 payments are added together with the first quarter payment dates not readily available to handle taxpayer inquiries. It was like a nightmare!

While this office is not responsible for any of the problems associated with the quarterly billing system, we field over 90 percent of the inquiries/complaints/protests. It is hoped that the town's in-house computer will be adjusted and re-programmed to handle the quarterly billing system in a more user-friendly manner from a collection standpoint and that next year's tax billing will be error free.

## Cash Management

Swampscott continues to reap the rewards of your Collector's Cash Management Program which maximizes the earnings on each and every dollar recieved at Town Hall. With the cooperation of our depository, Century North Shore Bank and Trust Co., each days' receipts from taxes, fees and charges are swept from the deposit account into an overnight investment vehicle . . . automatically. Weekly turnover checks to the Treasurer are deducted from the investable balance before the sweeps takes place which means that every dollar received at the Collector's window or through the mail is invested immediately and begins to earn interest for the town at money market rates throughout the year.

Your Collector earned \$22,122.53 from January 1 to December 31, 1990.



# In Account with the Town of Swampscott — 1990

## COLLECTIONS:

Real Estate Taxes .....	\$12,790,727.36
Personal Property Taxes .....	115,579.27
Automobile Excise Taxes .....	930,513.99
Water Use Charges .....	1,377,520.19
Water Liens .....	7,173.79
Sewer Assessments .....	2,635.36
Water Service Charges .....	20,036.74
Harbor Mooring Fees .....	7,683.00
Boat Excise Taxes .....	4,877.51
Rubbish Collection Fees .....	222,173.70

## Departmental Accounts Receivables

Pensions .....	32,146.57
School Tuition .....	439,543.50
Rentals (Fish House etc.) .....	15,176.30

## Interest and Charges

Real Estate/Personal Property Tax Interest .....	39,361.36
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Interest .....	9,058.22
Water Use and Water Service Interest .....	9,353.97
Water Lien Interest .....	1,155.64
Sewer Interest .....	144.57
Other Interest/Fees .....	1,002.65
Charges and Demand Fees .....	15,081.69

Fees for Bd. of Appeals/Planning Bd. Filings .....	6,300.00
Fees for By-Law Packages .....	1,220.00
Fees for Copying/Certifying Public Records .....	6,511.90
Fees for Preparing Cert. of Municipal Lien .....	11,325.00
Fines Assessed on Returned Checks .....	3,389.49

Collector's Cash Management Interest Earnings .....	22,122.53
(July to December)	

## Total Collected —

January 1 to December 31, 1990 .....	\$16,091,834.30
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# Treasurer

Jack L. Paster

With closings and federal take-overs of local banks making newspaper headlines the challenges facing local Treasurers are greater now than at any other time in recent years.

Safety, liquidity and yield have always been the priority objectives as this office handles the day-to-day management of public funds.

Your Treasurer has attended seminars on the uncertain banking conditions in Massachusetts to keep up with the suggested guidelines for prudent risk control. We maintain over 40 different bank accounts to afford us the flexibility of timing the market to maximize investment income and to seek out safe investments to safeguard our funds.

Through the use of FDIC and FDIM insured accounts, collateralization of deposits, investments backed by government securities and pooled investment fund accounts we feel comfortable with our banking relationships and, most importantly, feel that our investments are safe and secure.

Our "concentration" accounts are held locally. Tax receipts and revenues of the Collector are deposited into a Cash Management Daily Investment Account at Century North Shore Bank and Trust Company in Lynn which is part of a debt free holding company that includes three banks with a strong capital and asset base. The Veribank Bank Rating Service awarded Century its highest award classification for 1990 as an indication of its soundness and profitability. Our payroll and vendor payment accounts are deposited into Eastern Bank in Lynn which was rated as "strong" and one of the top ten leading New England savings banks. Eastern was also cited as a "winner" on the regional banking scene in the New England Banking Report for 1990 published by Danielson Associates Inc. in Maryland, a national bank watch firm.

## Investment Income

A record \$263,356 in interest earnings was posted by your Treasurer during 1990 through the aggressive handling of municipal funds. Constant hands-on attention means that every dollar is hard at work earning interest which ends up in the Town's Free Cash account to be appropriated by Town Meeting, often to reduce the tax levy.

Since taking office in 1983, your Treasurer has earned \$1,375,263.26 in earnings in investments for the Town of Swampscott.

**Treasurer's Cash Statement**

In Account With the Town of Swampscott:

Balance on hand January 1, 1990 . . . . .	\$ 4,602,955.59
Receipts and income from all sources . . . . .	33,037,508.97
Less Warrants Paid (Payroll/Vendors) . . . . .	36,922,742.74
Balance on hand December 31, 1990 . . . . .	717,721.82
Interest Income Earned during 1990 =	\$263,356

**Trust Funds — Special Fund Accounts**

<u>Fund ID</u>	<u>Bal.</u> <u>1/1/90</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Int.</u> <u>Income</u>	<u>With-</u> <u>drawals</u>	<u>Bal.</u> <u>12/31/90</u>
School Funds:					
Phillips Medal	\$ 5,447	\$ 0	\$ 413	\$ 644	\$ 5,126
Cemetery Funds:					
Gifts/Bequests	73,513	200	6,059	0	79,772
Perpetual Care	18,995	0	1,565	0	20,560
Library Funds:					
Gen. Library Tr.	40,685	60	3,321	7,095	36,971
R. Johnson	359	0	24	46	337
H. Hussey	141,155	0	10,774	22,551	129,378
A. Linscott	100,000	0	2,409	0	102,409
Special Funds:					
Conservation Fund	35,404	0	2,916	0	38,320
Emp. H-L Trust	179,876	713,618	13,783	722,151	185,126
Swampscott Drug	7,138	2,504	583	6,819	3,406
Enforcement Fund					
Performance Bonds	83,917	6,345	42,068	84,304	48,026

**Swampscott Debt**

Every second year your Treasurer publishes a complete Debt Schedule in this report which details the payment dates, specific purpose and breakdown of the principal and interest on each debt payment for the Town of Swampscott.

The purpose of this schedule is to allow residents the opportunity to review the town's debt position and to track the authorized debt on an article by article basis.

### Town of Swampscott — Bonded Indebtedness As of 1/1/91

<u>FY</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Loan Purpose</u>	<u>Principle</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Bank</u>
1991	91/01/01	High School		25,725.84	25,725.84	Bank of Boston
	91/01/15	Mun. Purp. #8 G.O. Bonds	500,000	55,610.00	555,610.00	Shamut
	91/02/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990		23,800.00	23,800.00	Shamut
1992	91/07/01	High School	210,000	25,724.16	235,724.16	Bank of Boston
	91/07/15	Mun. Purp. #8 G.O. Bonds		38,860.00	38,860.00	Shamut
	91/08/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990	100,000	23,800.00	123,800.00	Shamut
	91/09/12	Sewer Ban #3	3,400,000	220,097.00	3,624,400.00	State Street
	92/01/01	High School		19,294.38	19,294.38	Bank of Boston
	92/01/15	Mun. Purp. #8 G.O. Bonds	500,000	38,860.00	538,860.00	Shamut
	92/02/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990		20,400.00	20,400.00	Shamut
1993	92/07/01	High School	210,000	19,293.12	229,293.12	Bank of Boston
	92/07/15	Mun. Purp. #8 G.O. Bonds		22,110.00	22,110.00	Shamut
	92/08/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990	100,000	20,400.00	120,400.00	Shamut
	93/01/01	High School		12,862.92	12,862.92	Bank of Boston
	93/01/15	Mun. Purp. #8 G.O. Bonds	330,000	22,110.00	352,110.00	Shamut
	93/02/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990		17,000.00	17,000.00	Shamut
1994	93/07/01	High School	210,000	12,862.08	222,862.08	Bank of Boston
	93/07/15	Mun. Purp. #8 G.O. Bonds		11,055.00	11,055.00	Shamut
	93/08/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990	100,000	17,000.00	117,000.00	Shamut
	94/01/01	High School		6,431.46	6,431.46	Bank of Boston
	94/01/15	Mun. Purp. #8 G.O. Bonds	330,000	11,055.00	341,055.00	Shamut
	94/02/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990		13,600.00	13,600.00	Shamut
1995	94/07/01	High School	210,000	6,431.04	216,431.04	Bank of Boston
	94/08/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990	100,000	13,600.00	113,600.00	Shamut
	95/02/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990		10,200.00	10,200.00	Shamut
1996	95/08/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990	75,000	10,200.00	85,200.00	Shamut
	96/02/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990		7,650.00	7,650.00	Shamut
1997	96/08/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990	75,000	7,650.00	82,650.00	Shamut
	97/02/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990		5,100.00	5,100.00	Shamut
1998	97/08/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990	50,000	5,100.00	55,100.00	Shamut
	98/02/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990		3,400.00	3,400.00	Shamut
1999	98/08/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990	50,000	3,400.00	53,400.00	Shamut
	99/02/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990		1,700.00	1,700.00	Shamut
2000	99/08/01	Mun. Purp. Note of 1990	50,000	1,700.00	51,700.00	Shamut
Total:			6,600,000	754,082.00	7,358,385.00	



## Loan Breakdown

Mun Purp. #8 G.O Bonds (formerly Mun. Purp. #7 BAN) =  
1986 TM Articles (original BAN 1/29/87):  
BCBS Judgement for Police — 16,000  
Treatment Plant Waiver — 120,000  
Prospect Street Sewer — 110,000  
Sewer System Evaluation — 30,000  
School Roofs — 92,000  
School Energy Windows/Doors — 45,000  
Fish House Sprinklers — 40,000  
Sewer Equipment — 20,000  
DPW Trucks — 14,000  
Sub-total — 487,000  
Less Pay-down of 97,400  
Total of 1986 Articles — 389,600  
Also —  
1987 TM Articles (original BAN 1/29/87):  
Computer Equipment — 80,000  
In-house Computer Update — 15,000  
Ambulance — 45,000  
Fire Engine — 90,000  
Fire Truck — 24,000  
Storm Damage/Sea Wall Repairs — 100,000  
Treatment Plant Equipment — 207,500  
Sewer System Evaluation — 15,000  
Dredging Tedesco Pond — 52,500  
Sidewalk Maintenance — 40,000  
DPW Equipment — 58,000  
School Repairs (three articles) — 63,200  
School Vans — 30,000  
School Energy Windows — 47,700  
Total of 1987 Articles — 867,900  
Sub-total of 1986-87 TM Articles — 1,257,500  
Less Pay-down of 270,980  
Total — 986,520  
Also —

1988 TM Articles:

Design of Secondary Treatment Plant — 220,000  
Sewer System Evaluation Survey — 150,000  
DPW Sidewalk Repairs — 20,000  
Paradise Road Water Mains — 161,640  
DPW Front End Loader — 60,000  
School Department Equipment — 20,000  
School Printing Press and Equipment — 30,000  
Sch. Energy Cons. Windows/Doors — 123,900  
Basketball/Tennis Court Repairs — 36,350  
DPW Pumping Station Repairs — 23,000  
Council on Aging Van — 35,000  
Phillips Bch. Fire Sta. Renovations — 65,000  
School Asbestos Removal — 40,500  
School Repairs — 15,000  
Boilers for Schools and Town Hall — 170,000  
Total of 1988 Articles — 1,170,390

Sub-total for G.O. #8 Bonds — 2,156,910

Total for Mun. Purp. #8 G.O. Bonds (rounded up for  
even bond amount) — 2,160,000

Mun. Purp. Note of 1990 =

1988 Art. 82 — Field House Renovation, \$176,000  
1989 Art. 17 — Asbestos Removal, \$160,000  
    Art. 37 — Sewer Jetter Vacuum, \$32,000  
    Art. 51 — School Burners/Boilers/Atomizers,  
    \$139,000  
    Art. 52 — School Energy Windows, \$33,000  
    Art. 58 — School Little Theater Lighting.  
    \$35,000  
  
1990 Art. 47 — DPW Truck/Plow, \$55,000  
    Art. 54 — School Repairs, \$20,000  
    Art. 55 — Asbestos Removal, \$50,000  
    Total \$700,000

# **Accounting Department**

**Keith A. Callahan, Town Accountant**

In compliance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 61, I herewith submit to you the annual report of the Town Accountant for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Details of financial transactions of the Town are set forth in the accompanying schedules:

1. Balance Sheet
2. Appropriation Report
3. Schedule "A" Condensed
4. Debt Statement
5. Analysis of Estimated Receipts vs. Actual Receipts

# Town of Swampscott Balance Sheet June 30, 1990 General Accounts

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash			\$
General	(703,586.17)	Warrants Payable	16,431.12
Petty Cash	460.00	Agency Fees	8,953.60
Invested Cash		Tailing Unclaimed Checks	3,401.28
Accounts Receivable		Disaster Relief Sea Walls	69,946.10
Property Taxes		Insurance Recovery	11,425.39
1990 Real Estate	179,637.90	Police Outside Details	5,163.25
1991 Real Estate	6,496,180.76	Due State & County	1,655.21
1990 Personal	2,323.99	Trust Fund	347.75
1991 Personal	59,037.00	Grants	19,517.60
Motor Vehicle Excise		Arts Lottery	4,787.69
1990	44,195.70	Criminal Justice	859.00
1989	26,494.40	Council on Aging	11,276.18
1988	23,819.46	Veterans Graves & Monuments	2,594.73
Rubbish Fees		Grants — School	
Water		Federal	20,857.32
Rates	90,256.35	State	5,017.70
Services	2,296.63	Revolving	
Liens 1990	1,943.00	School Property Use	269.68
Water Liens Interest		Lunch	40,847.09
Departmental		Athletics	4,136.78
Veterans Pension		Metco	18,591.91
Veterans Services		Con't Ed	3,087.97
Park		Ext Day Care	1,464.24
Due from Commonwealth Local Aid		Tuition	56,171.69
Tax Possession		Van Maint	1,008.00
Revenue 91		Appropriation 1991	
Court Judgement		Revenues Reserved Until Received	21,938,062.35
		Excise	225,066.62
			94,509.56





# Trust and Investment Accounts

## ASSETS

In Custody of Town Treasurer  
In Custody of War Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

\$ 713,385.32 Philips Medal

79,020.82 Conservation

Library

Hussey

Johnson

General

Cemetery

Perpetual Care

Gifts & Requests

Employees Health Trust

Drug Enforcement

Performance Bonds

## LIABILITIES

\$ 5,014.77

36,841.41

177,814.62

135,360.47

326.15

42,128.00

96,265.03

19,766.56

76,498.47

284,937.05

7,536.87

104,975.57

\$ 713,385.32

## Appropriation Report 1990

Regular Appropriations	Carried Over From 1989	Appropriated 1990	Transfer	Total Available	Spent	Returned to Surplus	Carried Over to 1991
Moderator Wages	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Finance Committee	100,000.00	291,971.74	(386,893.57)	5,078.17	70.00	5,078.17	
Wages		2,862.00		2,862.00	2,862.00		
Expenses		70.00		70.00	70.00		
Reserve Fund							
Selectmen							
Salaries		36,897.00		36,897.00	36,509.07	387.93	
Office Expense		2,000.00		2,000.00	1,858.76	141.24	
Insurance		1,253,516.00		1,253,516.00	1,253,516.00		
Town Counsel Wages		20,858.00		20,858.00	20,858.00		
Special Counsel		10,000.00		10,000.00	1,580.00		
Bargaining Agent		10,000.00		10,000.00	8,850.00		
Parking Ticket Clerk		1.00		1.00		1,150.00	
Town Counsel Expenses		3,500.00	415.78	3,915.78	3,915.78	1.00	
Work Comp. Expense		3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00		
Parking Ticket Clerk		1,000.00		1,000.00	533.62	466.38	
N.S. Regional Vocational		82,960.00		82,960.00	82,960.00		
Contingent	595.00	1,500.00		2,095.00	2,095.00		
Street Lighting		155,000.00		155,000.00	154,481.38	518.62	
Town Reports		5,744.00	764.35	6,508.35	6,508.35		

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Administration Building					
Wages	33,684.00	33,684.00	33,684.00		
Expenses	13,654.00	13,654.00	13,578.08	75.92	
VFW Building	800.00	800.00	800.00		
Board of Appeals					
Clerical					
Expenses	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,445.12	554.88	68.48
Planning Board	1,351.00	1,525.58	1,009.02	448.08	
Clerical					
Expenses	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,100.00	100.00	
Contributory Retirement	428.00	428.00	155.81		272.19
Pensions					
Expenses	1,321,656.00	1,321,656.00	4,000.00		
Non-Contributory Pensions	292,000.00	292,000.00	292,000.00		
Police					
Wages	1,223,961.00	290,000.00	1,513,961.00	90.17	287.04
Expenses	92,787.00		92,787.00		
Fire					
Wages	1,455,903.00	9,936.00	1,465,839.00	1.68	
Expenses	62,419.00		62,419.00	470.78	312.35
Harbormaster					
Wages	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00		
Office Expense	656.00	656.00	656.00		
Boat	629.00	736.81	497.34	82.08	157.39
Civil Defense					
Director	1,050.00	1,050.00	1,050.00		
Expenses	918.00	918.00	786.17	131.83	
Weights & Measures					
Wages	4,087.00	4,087.00	4,087.00		
Office	50.00	50.00	50.00		
Travel	168.00	168.00	168.00		
Constable	96.00	96.00	96.00		
Building Inspector					
Wages	41,812.00	41,812.00	41,812.00		
Office Expense	800.00	800.00	769.70	30.30	
Travel Expense	172.00	172.00	172.00		
Wire Inspector					
Wages	9,394.00	9,394.00	9,394.00		
Expenses	150.00	150.00	108.00	42.00	
Travel	360.00	360.00	360.00		



Wages	5,855.00	5,855.00	5,855.00		
Office	385.00	414.89	414.89		
Travel	950.00	950.00	368.57	381.43	200.00
Pound & Supplies	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,300.37	399.63	
Conservation					
Office	230.00	230.00	95.79	134.21	
General Expense	632.00	632.00	252.25	379.75	
Health					
Wages	77,890.00	1,848.00	79,738.00	2,849.93	91.92
Office Expense	2,400.00		2,400.00	530.53	
Inspection & Tests	4,205.00		4,205.00	3,351.42	853.58
Travel	2,240.00		2,240.00	2,198.00	42.00
Rubbish Collection &					
Disposal	359,528.00	2,400.00	361,928.00	357,813.68	4,114.32
Recreation					
Wages	30,130.00		30,130.00	29,085.00	1,045.00
Coordinator	4,500.00		4,500.00	4,500.00	
Secretary	3,192.00		3,192.00	3,013.50	178.50
Office Expense	1,770.00		1,770.00	1,371.61	398.39
Programs	8,058.00		8,267.50	6,529.90	1,609.23
Travel	250.00		250.00	250.00	
Furn. & Office Equip.	85.00		85.00	85.00	128.37
Veterans					
Wages	7,000.00		7,000.00	7,000.00	
Office	264.00		264.00	264.00	
Travel	300.00		300.00	188.00	112.00
Assistance	9,800.00		9,800.00	8,632.46	1,167.54
Memorial Day	479.00		479.00	479.00	
Veterans Day	382.00		382.00	310.00	72.00
Library					
Wages	180,154.68		180,154.68	178,103.05	2,051.63
Office	3,000.25		3,000.25	3,000.25	
Building Expense	26,014.07		26,014.07	26,014.07	
Materials	34,808.37		35,128.56	32,713.85	1,871.36
Council on Aging	23,332.00		23,332.00	23,244.30	87.70
Public Works					
Wages	539,529.00		539,529.00	528,322.04	11,206.96
Snow & Ice	26,500.00	79,140.04	105,640.04	105,640.04	
Consulting Engineer	5,000.00		5,000.00	3,715.00	1,285.00
Expenses & Supplies	110,100.00		110,100.00	110,100.00	

Equipment Maintenance	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	
Treatment Plan & Lift Station	37,201.52	275,000.00	312,201.52	312,201.52
Travel		1,750.00	1,750.00	1,551.07
Moth Control		8,000.00	8,000.00	7,405.00
Clothing Allowance		5,700.00	5,700.00	5,700.00
Dutch Elm		5,000.00	5,000.00	2,672.79
Shade Trees		3,500.00	3,500.00	3,492.50
Highway Maintenance		55,000.00	55,000.00	7.50
Street Sweeping		20,000.00	20,000.00	18,837.81
DPW — Water				1,162.19
Wages		248,905.00	248,905.00	221,951.64
Operating Expenses		33,476.86	33,476.86	26,953.36
Equipment Maintenance		2,000.00	2,000.00	33,231.33
Travel		480.00	480.00	1,445.50
Communications		1,150.00	1,150.00	471.58
Bills		500.00	500.00	8.42
Clothing Allowance		2,100.00	2,100.00	1,150.00
Meter		16,000.00	16,000.00	500.00
Assessment		500,000.00	500,000.00	300.00
Historical Committee		383.00	383.00	13,955.41
School		7,692,581.00	7,730,630.36	2,044.59
Total Regular	\$ 187,187.50	\$ 18,643,520.11	\$ 18,898,468.38	411,475.00
Special Appropriations				88,525.00
42-82 Street Restoration	\$ 2,044.53	\$ 2,044.53	\$ 2,044.53	158.00
57-86 Drainage Work	47,816.09	47,816.09	47,816.09	7,730,630.36
52-87 School Roof Repairs	3,352.50	3,352.50	3,352.50	\$ 18,636,394.41
39-88 Beach Damage Repairs	75,211.00	75,211.00	75,211.00	\$ 245,642.85
57-88 School Repairs Various Bids.				
60-88 " " Hadley/Machon	12,966.23	12,966.23	12,966.23	4,966.23
63-88 " " Energy Windows	1,716.28	1,716.28	1,716.28	1.28
64-88 " " Fixtures	1,848.54	1,848.54	1,848.54	1,848.54
17-89 Legal Fees 2nd Treat.	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00
Waiver				
53-89 Basketball & Tennis	6,346.93	6,346.93	6,346.93	8,000.00
Court Repairs				
53-89 Sidewalk Program	33,892.00	33,892.00	33,892.00	
53-89 Pumping Station Repairs	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	35.00
62-86 Field Park Repairs	13,307.53	13,307.53	13,307.53	13,307.53
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65-89 Paradise Road Mains	161,640.00				161,640.00
68-89 Phillips Beach Fire Sta. Rep.	41,710.60			32,622.29	9,088.31
75-89 Fire Alarm Update	10,000.00			3,825.00	6,175.00
77-89 School Energy Conservation	123,900.00			121,021.00	2,879.00
78-89 Asbestos Removal	17,565.00			5,468.00	
79-89 School Repairs	864.86				864.86
80-89 School Equipment	19,446.95			19,446.95	
82-89 Field House Renovation	2,390.00			99,888.00	78,502.00
43-87 Fish House Sprinklers	2,424.44				
Boilers	161,000.00		(2,424.44)	12,000.00	149,000.00
Regional School Planning	2,209.00			1,904.30	304.70
95-89 Resco Health Effort	5,000.00			5,000.00	
Sewerage Secondary Treat.	201,455.85				
7 Unpaid Bills		2,300,000.00		1,663,890.28	837,565.57
17 Asbestos Removal		21,081.00		14,820.15	1,754.26
31 Police Vehicles		160,000.00		22,049.00	137,951.00
37 Sewer Jetter Vacuum Unit		28,024.00		28,024.00	
48 Essex St. Bridge Study		32,000.00		31,750.00	250.00
51 School Boilers/ Atomizers/Burners		7,500.00		7,000.00	500.00
52 " Energy Windows		139,000.00		11,900.40	127,099.60
56 " Passenger Van		33,000.00		2,350.00	30,650.00
58 " Little Theatre Lighting		20,000.00		17,199.25	2,800.75
DPW Truck		35,000.00			35,000.00
School Repairs		55,000.00			55,000.00
Asbestos Removal		20,000.00			20,000.00
		50,000.00			50,000.00
Total Special Appropriations	\$ 970,104.07	\$ 3,076,605.00	\$ (2,424.44)	\$ 4,044,284.63	\$ 2,246,486.22
Grand Total Appropriation	\$ 1,157,291.57	\$ 21,720,125.11	\$ 65,336.33	\$ 22,942,753.01	\$ 20,882,880.63
				\$ 19,159.96	\$ 1,778,638.45
				\$ 264,802.81	\$ 1,795,069.57

# Amounts Provided for on Assessors Recapitulation Sheet

State & County Assessments	\$ (9165.23)	\$ 563,509.23	\$ 554,344.00	\$ 552,688.79	\$ 1,655.21
Overlay 1987	(24.06)	24.06		6,834.87	(6,834.87)
Overlay 1988				41,173.12	(41,173.12)
Overlay 1989	123,654.22		123,654.22	21,868.66	101,785.56
Overlay 1990		250,000.00	250,000.00	301,292.26	(51,292.26)
Total Recapitulation Sheet	\$ 114,464.93	\$ 813,533.29	\$ 927,998.22	\$ 923,857.70	\$ (97,645.04)

In addition to the State Grant of the Library which was considered during the Town Meeting deliberations on the budget and is reflected in the appropriations the following Grants and Revolving Funds should be considered when reviewing Town Expenditures.

Federal Grants — School	Balance 7/1/89	Receipts	Transfer	Total Available	Spent	Closed to Surplus	Balance 8/30/90
Title I — Cura	\$ 1,694.76	\$ 21,720.00	\$	\$ 23,414.76	\$ 22,036.65	\$	\$ 1,378.11
Title III — Library	1,694.29			1,694.29			1,694.29
Title II — Library	103.00			103.00			103.00
Bureau Inst. Grants	1,302.00			1,302.00			1,302.00
Early Child 94/142	.77	15,312.00		15,312.77	9,060.52		6,252.25
ECIA Ed. CII 97/35	203.01	6,279.00		6,482.01	6,376.34		105.67
SPED 89-113 State	(1,374.32)	12,025.00		10,650.68	7,606.82		3,043.86
Ed. Refugee Children	55.07			55.07	11.84		43.23
Behavior Management	509.00			509.00			509.00
Perkins Act Grant	(1.00)			(1.00)	(1.00)		
Ed-Handicapped 94/142	(3,629.82)	93,906.20		90,276.38	83,850.47		6,425.91
ESCA Title II Grant	950.00	2,351.00		3,301.00	3,301.00		
Lunch		21,917.39		21,917.39	21,917.39		
Total Federal Grants	\$ 1,506.76	\$ 173,510.59	\$	\$ 175,017.35	\$ 154,160.03	\$	\$ 20,857.32
State Grants — School							
Governor Alliance Drugs	\$	\$ 7,664.00	\$	\$ 7,664.00	\$ 7,167.50	\$	\$ 496.50
Horace Mann	2,900.50	1,540.00		4,440.50	2,590.00		1,850.50
Improvement Council	6,635.34			6,635.34	6,635.34		
Ed. Improvement	1.70	4,800.00		1.70			1.70
Curriculum Aid	305.00	5,876.14		5,105.00	4,960.70		144.30
Lunch		2,939.00		5,876.14	5,876.14		
Project Bridge				2,939.00	414.30		2,524.70
Total State Grants	\$ 9,842.54	\$ 22,819.14	\$	\$ 32,661.68	\$ 27,643.98	\$	\$ 5,017.70



Athletics	4,377.25	45,743.45	166,900.46	229,830.44	188,983.35	40,847.09
Metco	12,609.90	270,333.00	270,333.00	50,120.70	45,983.92	4,136.78
Continuing Ed.	10,611.11	17,446.00	17,446.00	28,057.11	264,350.99	18,591.91
Custodian Outside Detail		5,189.17	5,189.17	28,057.11	24,969.14	3,087.97
Summer School	159.00	8,526.00	8,526.00	5,189.17	5,189.17	
Tuition	50,624.30	439,127.50	439,127.50	8,685.00	8,685.00	
Extended Day Care		28,557.50	28,557.50	489,751.80	433,580.11	56,171.69
Student Body Activity		13,000.00	13,000.00	27,093.26	27,093.26	1,464.24
Van Maintenance		1,008.00	1,008.00	13,000.00	13,000.00	
Total Revolving Funds	\$ 129,209.80	\$ 1,036,997.09	\$ 1,036,997.09	\$ 1,166,206.89	\$ 1,040,629.53	\$ 1,008.00
Grand Total School Grants & Revolving Funds	\$ 140,559.10	\$ 1,233,326.82	\$ 1,233,326.82	\$ 1,373,885.92	\$ 1,222,433.54	\$ 151,452.38
State Grants — Town						
Library	\$ 2,710.18	\$	\$	\$ 2,710.18	\$ 2,710.18	\$
Fish House Restoration	65,336.33		(65,336.33)			
Sewers	80,116.54	4,737.00		84,853.54	70,911.73	13,941.81
Chapter 96	54,807.80			54,807.80	54,807.80	
Arts Lottery	3,726.97	6,737.00		10,463.97	5,676.28	4,787.69
Council on Aging	6,093.06	13,666.00		19,759.06	8,482.88	11,276.18
Disaster Relief/Sea Walls	441,875.00			441,875.00	371,928.90	69,946.10
Veterans Graves & Markers	2,594.73			2,594.73		2,594.73
Criminal Justice	859.00			859.00		859.00
Library State Aid		10,421.00		10,421.00		10,421.00
Total State Grants — Town	\$ 658,119.61	\$ 35,561.00	\$ (65,336.33)	\$ 628,344.28	\$ 514,517.77	\$ 99,884.70
Revolving Funds						
Police Paid Details	\$	\$ 97,733.63	\$	\$ 97,733.63	\$ 92,570.38	\$ 5,163.25
Fire		453.35		453.35	453.35	
Insurance Recovery	10,620.15	11,700.68		22,320.83	10,895.44	11,425.39
Non-Contributory Pensions	13,653.84	84,862.67		98,516.51	70,913.11	27,603.40
Trust Funds	492.39	24,410.63		24,903.02	24,555.27	347.75
Drug Service Receipts		4,121.51		4,121.51	4,121.51	
Insurance Recovery Police						
Wages		11,403.36		11,403.36	11,403.36	
Total Revolving Funds	\$ 24,766.38	\$ 234,685.83	\$	\$ 259,452.21	\$ 214,912.42	\$ 44,539.79
Grand Total Non School & Rev. Fund	\$ 682,885.99	\$ 270,246.83	\$ (65,336.33)	\$ 887,796.49	\$ 729,430.19	\$ 144,424.49
Combined Grand Totals	\$ 823,445.09	\$ 1,503,573.65	\$ (65,336.33)	\$ 2,261,682.41	\$ 1,951,863.73	\$ 295,876.87

# Schedule "A"

## Condensed

### General Fund Revenue

Taxes	\$13,833,183
Charges for Service	1,755,779
Licenses & Permits	141,800
Revenue from State	1,555,302
Other Governmental Revenue	88,879
Fines & Forfeitures	53,030
Earnings on Investments	243,719
Total Revenues — Gen. Fund	<u>\$17,672,692</u>

Other Revenue	School	Special	Trust
Charges for Service	\$ 189,909	\$	\$
Fees	106,467		
Tuition	465,100		
Fer. Rev — State	173,510		
State Aid — Education	1,585,420		
Other State Aid	5,876	35,666	
Other Charges		46,223	
Miscellaneous		27,699	
Assessments			881,266
Earnings			47,199
Total Other Revenues	<u>\$2,526,282</u>	<u>\$ 109,588</u>	<u>\$ 928,465</u>

General Fund Expenditures	Town	School	Total
Personal Services	\$7,186,913	\$7,235,023	\$14,421,936
Purchase Service	1,484,214	971,956	2,456,170
Supplies	348,746	267,213	615,959
Intergovernmental		82,960	82,960
Other Charges & Expenditures	557,423	435,389	992,812
Court Judgement	22,279		22,279
Construction	1,838,989		1,838,989
Other Capital Outlay	78,229	198,344	276,573
Debt Service	1,291,023		1,291,023
Total Gen. Fund Expenditures	<u>\$12,807,816</u>	<u>\$9,190,886</u>	<u>\$21,998,701</u>

State & County Assessments	\$ 662,689
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<b>Other Expenditures</b>	<b>Special</b>	<b>Trust</b>
Personal Services	\$ 11,404	\$
Purchase Services	139,879	891,608
Other	18,200	13,484
Construction	371,929	
<b>Total Other Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 541,412</b>	<b>\$ 905,092</b>

The Schedule "A" is a report prepared for the state and federal Government. There is 54 pages 8½" x 14". The unabridged copy is available and can be viewed during regular hours at the office of the town accountant.

## **Schedule of Changes in Town Debt**

**Statement of Indebtedness Fiscal Year Ending  
June 30, 1890**

	<b>Outstanding July 1, 1989</b>	<b>Issued</b>	<b>Paid</b>	<b>Outstanding June 30, 1990</b>
Funded Debt				
General Debt				
Inside Debt Limit	\$ 2,428,540		\$655,961	\$ 1,772,679
Outside Debt				
Limit	1,524,842		342,421	1,182,421
<b>Total Funded Debt</b>	<b>\$ 3,953,382</b>		<b>\$998,382</b>	<b>\$ 2,955,000</b>
Bond Anticipation				
Authorized				
Unissued				\$18,490,810

**Comparison of Estimated Receipts Used In Calculating Tax Rate  
with Actual Receipts In Fiscal Year Ended 6/30/90**

<b>State</b>	<b>Estimated</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>
School Aid Chapter 70	\$490,291.00	\$74,610.00	\$484,319.00
Additional Assistance	1,007,203.00	1,007,203.00	
Racial Imbalance	264,331.00	270,333.00	6,002.00
School Lunch	8,661.00	5,876.14	(2,784.86)
School Improvements	4,780.00		(4,780.00)
Horace Mann	5,122.00	1,540.00	(3,582.00)
School Transportation	37,119.00	44,398.00	7,274.00
School Construction	235,081.00	235,081.00	
Tuition State Wards	16,079.00	31,417.00	15,338.00
Public Libraries	10,421.00	10,371.00	(50.00)
Additional Aid Public Libraries	3,296.00	1,186.00	(2,110.00)
Police Career Incentive	40,776.00	32,232.00	(8,544.00)
Veterans Benefit	4,410.00	5,303.81	893.81
Highway Fund	20,348.00	20,232.00	(116.00)
Lottery	395,851.00	395,851.00	
Loss of Taxes — Abatements			
Veterans	5,338.00	5,163.00	(175.00)
Blind	4,375.00	4,375.00	
Surviving Spouses	1,750.00	1,750.00	
Elderly Pensions	26,879.00	27,102.00	223.00
<b>Total From State</b>	<b>\$2,582,111.00</b>	<b>\$3,074,018.95</b>	<b>\$491,907.95</b>
<b>Town</b>			
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$986,570.48	\$844,793.91	\$(141,776.57)
Penalties & Interest on Taxes & Excises	76,367.48	60,365.21	(15,002.27)
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	11,950.00	8,075.00	(3,875.00)
Water	1,508,000.00	1,392,995.40	(115,004.60)
Trash Disposal	191,587.96	226,727.70	36,139.74
Departmental Revenue	177,340.35	215,809.12	38,468.77
Special Assessments	33,986.56	28,651.20	(5,335.36)
Fines & Forfeits	74,347.07	99,983.83	25,636.76
Investment Income	206,955.27	243,718.95	36,763.68
Ambulance Fees	30,660.43	29,616.90	(1,033.53)
<b>Total From Town</b>	<b>\$3,296,755.60</b>	<b>\$3,150,737.22</b>	<b>\$(146,018.38)</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,878,866.60</b>	<b>\$6,224,756.17</b>	<b>\$345,889.57</b>



# Zoning Board of Appeals

Ann M. Whittemore, Chairman  
Charles Hall, Vice Chairman  
Kenneth B. Shutzer, Clerk  
William O'Brien  
Charles Morrison

Associate Members:  
Anthony Pasciuto  
Peter Shribman

The Zoning Board of Appeals held 11 hearings during the year ending December 31, 1990; 55 new petitions were heard and a hearing was held on a remand order from the Land Court. We would like to thank Louis Gallo, Inspector of Buildings, for his technical support and assistance. The Associate Members of the Board contributed valuable assistance and expertise to the Board.

The Board of Appeals and Planning Board worked together during the year to amend the Special Permit provisions for the Business Districts in response to a pending Court case. The Court's decision deleted the prior provisions of our Zoning By-Law pertaining to Special Permits for businesses. We look forward to further work with the Planning Board in addressing issues which arise concerning the Zoning By-Law.

The Zoning Board adopted new Rules and Regulations and a new application form during the year. This was done to assist petitioners by clarifying our requirements and procedures.

# Animal Control

James S. Stone, Sr.

Dogs Licensed	862	Dogs Returned To Owners	75
Citations Issued	93	Dogs P.T.S.	3
Dogs Caught	79	Dogs/Cats Placed For Adoption	11
Dogs Confined	28	Reported Missing Dogs/Cats	156
Complaints Received	705	Dogs/Cats Transported to H.A.H.	31

## Offenses Charged

Leash Law	4	Excessive Barking	3
Failure to License	50	Parks and Beaches	3
Pooper Scooper	2	Warnings Issues	124

## Miscellaneous

Accidents Involving Dogs and Cats	18
Injured or Sick Dogs Transported to H.A.H	8
Dog Bites Reported	9

## Income

Dog License Fees	\$8,655
Fines Collected	1,000

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation to the many individuals and departments who have helped to make the first six months of my tenure as A.C.O. enjoyable and productive. Most notably, the men and women of the Swampscott Police Dept. for their strong support and cooperation. To Bob Perry and the Board of Selectmen for their united effort to see that this Department reaches an increased level of safety and service through adequate equipment and funds. Thank you to Jack Paster, Kent Murphy, Keith Callahan and Alan Taubert for their help and assistance. A special thank you to Sue Ellen Woodcock of the Swampscott Reporter for her repeated willingness to report the comings and goings of the Town's A.C.O. And finally, to my wife Barbara, who has put up with the burnt dinners, missed outings and the frantic calls at all hours of the night and day so that I might fulfill my obligations.

During the past six months I have strived to make Service and Professionalism the corner stones of this office. Albeit part- time, this is now a full service department offering Law Enforcement, Rescue, Protection, Adoption, Education, Trapping and Wildlife Assistance.

Two new programs have been enacted this year, the first is PROJECT WILD, an ongoing census to establish population numbers

and distribution of skunks, racoons, opossums and fox within the borders of Swampscott and, secondly, an Educational Safety Program targeted to the Elementary grades on the Dos and Don'ts when dealing with Domestic and Wild Animals.

A final remembrance. To that very special and select group of Dog Owners who let their beloved pets run free; bark at all hours of the night; and use our beaches and parks for their — Ahem! — Private Privy. I say thank you. Prompt payment of your fine is appreciated, as these funds will be put to good use by this department.

## Board of Assessors

The Board of Assessors herewith submits its Annual Report for the citizens of the Town of Swampscott for the year 1990.

Vera C. Harrington was reelected to a three year term on the Board and Anthony F. Benevento served as president of the Essex County Assessors Association.

At the Board's reorganizational meeting, following the Town Election, Anthony F. Benevento was elected Chairman and Vera C. Harrington, Secretary.

The Assessors implemented an updated revaluation program for this Fiscal Year. Also implemented was a new billing system which sent two billings and four tax bills to taxpayers.

It also was the start of a declining real estate market. Knowing this, the Board decided that they would review the new values assessed for 1990 and reflect the present market conditions by lowering, where applicable, the property values for Fiscal Year 1991.

The Board was able to accomplish changing values in both 1990 and 1991 because of the in-house computer. If the market continues to decline, this computer system will again save thousands and thousands of dollars that would have to be paid to consultants to complete the work.

The Board of Selectmen voted to split the tax rate for Fiscal Year 1991 at \$12.49 per thousand for property classified as residential, and \$19.56 per thousand for property classified as commercial, industrial and personal property.

The Board expresses its thanks to Town Accountant, Keith Callahan and Town Counsel Arthur Palleschi.

Statutory Exemptions on real estate, which are mandatory under Chapter 59, General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to qualifying home owners, totalled in the amount of \$94,348.77.

The Board of Assessors herewith submits its figures to determine the tax rate for Fiscal Year 1991:

Gross amount to be raised .....	\$ 21,852,115.28
Estimated receipts .....	6,148,115.13
Net amount to be raised by taxation .....	\$ 15,704,000.15
Real Estate valuation .....	\$ 1,195,886,535.00
Personal Property valuation .....	8,236,810.00
Total valuation .....	\$ 1,204,123,345.00
Tax Rate Fiscal 1991:	
	\$12.49 Residential
	\$12.49 Open Space
	\$19.56 Commercial
	\$19.56 Industrial
Real Estate property tax .....	\$ 15,542,326.20
Personal Property tax .....	161,112.00
Total taxes levied on property .....	\$ 15,703,438.20
Motor vehicles assessed (not figured in tax rate)	
Number of cars assessed .....	\$ 11,308
Valuation of cars assessed .....	\$ 34,707,050.00
Excise tax on cars assessed .....	\$ 806,521.48

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Assessors  
Anthony F. Benevento, Chairman  
Vera C. Harrington, Secretary  
Ernest J. Mazola



II. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED

- A. APPROPRIATIONS (col. (b) through col. (e) from Schedule 8, Page 4) . . . \$ 20,593,178.73
- B. OTHER AMOUNTS TO BE RAISED
  - 1. Amounts certified for tax title purposes . . . \$ 1500.00
  - 2. Debt and interest charges not included in Schedule 8 . . . \$ 9754.00
  - 3. Final court judgments . . . \$ 22278.90
  - 4. Total overlay deficits of prior years . . . \$ 99300.25
  - 5. Total cherry sheet offsets (see cherry sheet 1-ER) . . . \$ 238718.00
  - 6. Revenue deficits . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - 7. Offset receipts deficits Ch. 44 Sec. 53E . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - 8. Charter Commission . . . \$ 5000.00
  - 9. \_\_\_\_\_ . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- TOTAL B (Total lines I through 9) . . . \$ 376,551.15
- C. STATE AND COUNTY CHERRY SHEET CHARGES (C.S. 1-EC cols.1 and 2)\$ 579,642.00
- D. ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS AND EXEMPTIONS (OVERLAY) . . \$ 302,743.40
- E. TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED (Total 11A through 11D). . . \$ 21,852,115.28

III. ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND OTHER REVENUE SOURCES

- A. ESTIMATED RECEIPTS — STATE
  - 1. Cherry Sheet Estimated Receipts (C.S. I-ER Total Part D) \$ 2440440.00
  - 2. Cherry Sheet Overestimates (C.S. 1-EC Part E col. 3) . . . \$ 2209.00
  - TOTAL A (Total Lines 1 and 2) . . . \$ 2,442,649.00
- B. ESTIMATED RECEIPTS — LOCAL
  - 1. Local Receipts Not Allocated (Page 3, col. (b), Line 26) . . . \$ 3004589.40
  - 2. Offset Receipts (See Schedule A-I) . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. Enterprise Funds (See Schedule A-I) . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - TOTAL B (Total Lines 1 through 3) . . . \$ 3,004,589.40
- C. REVENUE SOURCES APPROPRIATED FOR PARTICULAR PURPOSES
  - 1. Free Cash (Page 4, col. (c)) . . . \$ 42923.00
  - 2. Other Available Funds (Page 4, col.(d)) . . . \$ 563006.73
  - TOTAL C (Total Lines 1 and 2) . . . \$ 605,929.73
- D. OTHER REVENUE SOURCES APPROPRIATED SPECIFICALLY TO REDUCE THE TAX RATE
  - 1. Free Cash . . . date of appropriation (04/30/90) . . . \$ 94947.00
  - 2. Municipal Light Source . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. Other Source (Specify)\_\_\_\_\_ . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - TOTAL D (Total Lines 1 through 3) . . . \$ 94,947.00
- E. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND OTHER REVENUE SOURCES (Total IIIA through IIID) . . . \$ 6,148,115.13

IV. SUMMARY OF TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED AND TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES

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- A. TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED (from IIE) . . . \$ 21,852,115.28
- B. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND OTHER REVENUE SOURCES (from IIIE) . . . \$ 6148115.13
- C. TOTAL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX LEVY (from IC) . . . \$ 15704000.15
- D. TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES (TOTAL IVB plus IVC) . . . \$ 21,852,115.28  
(IVA MUST EQUAL IVD)

# Building Department

Louis Gallo, Inspector of Buildings

Alternate Building Inspectors:

Kathleen Magee

Richard MacIntosh

Helen M. Collins, Administrative Assistant

I hereby submit the following report for 1990:

Amount of Construction	\$6,463,509
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Permits Issued	Building	477
	Plumbing	225
	Gas	240

Fees collected for permits and inspections — building, plumbing and gas — \$ 74,617

Construction during the year increased by \$1,131,033.

Increase in amount of fees collected was 20,016.

## Building Permits Issued:

Single Family	8
Duplex	1
Fireplaces, stoves, chimneys	5
Additions	28
Repairs, renovations, remodeling	193
Roofs	55
Decks, porches	35
Garages	5
Pools	6
Signs	4
Commercial	11
Demolitions	3
Miscellaneous*	123

\*Gutters, windows, doors, siding, stairs, etc.

Despite the economy, there was an increase in the amount of construction and the amount of fees collected. Construction was about 95% completed at the Shipswatch Condominiums.

Renovations at the Field House, Summit Estates and the Swampscott Housing Authority apartments on Cherry Street were done during the year.

The state has purchased residences to be used for group homes. The residences require renovations and inspections to insure they are up to code.

The Building Department issues permits & inspects all construction. Town Zoning By-Laws are enforced as well as State Zoning and Building Code Safety Directives. Violations of Zoning By-Laws are investigated.

## Blocksidge Fieldhouse Study Committee

A Committee formed to study and oversee the repair and renovation of the Blocksidge Fieldhouse located at the Town's Athletic Facility on Humphrey Street.

### Committee Members:

John V. Phelan, III, Chairman

Jon F. Burke

Richard R. Feinberg

Tom Belhumeur

William Hennessey

Daniel C. Cahill

Daniel Kelly

Paul Gorman

Martha Cray Kelleher

Kathy Magee

### Consultants:

Richard Coletti

William Bush

Richard Baker

James Polando

The Committee was initially formed relative to Article 82 of the 1988 Annual Town Meeting. The Committee first met in June of 1988 in order to assess the condition and long term utilization requirements of the fieldhouse building.

The building was found to be derelict in functional utility and suffer from extensive deferred maintenance. At following meetings

the Committee reviewed proposed plans, by outside consulting and engineering firms, for the modernization and renovation of the building.

Gale Associates Inc. of Weymouth completed the final accepted architectural plans. These plans addressed the building becoming fully handicap accessible along with handicap showers and restrooms. In addition a new trainer's room and weight room were designed.

The removal of an asbestos encased boiler and expansion tank inside the building delayed the construction schedule of this project. This problem though was finally resolved.

G.V.W. Inc. of Swampscott was the general contractor for the repair and renovation of the fieldhouse. This company installed all new plumbing, heating and electrical within the building. At this time the coaches room was also renovated, and a new hot water system for the showers and fire alarm system for security were installed.

The renovations to the building were finished on schedule for the beginning of the school year, and the project was completed under the allocated budget of \$180,000.00.

The Committee would like to thank all of the Town Boards, employees and individuals for their help and cooperation with this project.

## Personnel Board

Ann M. Whittmore, Clerk  
Peter C. McCarriston  
Keith A. Callahan  
Richard C. Bane

In accordance with Section 3(f) of the Personnel Board By-laws, the Personnel Board herewith submits its thirty-first report to the Board of Selectmen and to the citizens of the Town of Swampscott.

The Personnel Board met several times during the past year to act on matters brought before it by various boards, department heads, and individuals.

Subsequent decisions were made and implemented and a number of Articles were sponsored in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting. The Board wishes to thank all town boards and individuals who have given us assistance and cooperation during the year.



# Cable Advisory Committee

Charles R. Borgioli, Chairman  
Louise LaConte  
Gary Young  
Bruce Gordon  
Paula Mariano  
Ken Maas

The Cable Advisory Committee is continuing to aggressively work with Warner Cable to insure quality service to Swampscott. We are continually monitoring areas of service, signal quality, response to complaints and public access.

We are continuing to work with Warner on the transfer of the license with respect to a change in their ownership that involved Warner and Time/Life. We expect the transfer to be approved soon.

The exclusivity regulations of the Federal Communications Commission have frustrated our attempts to bring back network alternative channels as most of the prime time would be blacked out.

The coverage of local events and local access are still important areas to the committee. We insure that Warner fulfills its commitment in these areas. We are continually monitoring equipment performance, adequate training for those who desire it and proper surroundings for locally produced programs. A local access user, Blarney Broadcasting, passed yet another milestone this past year by beginning weekly live broadcasting from the Swampscott Studio. They provide coverage of a multitude of local sporting events and local athletes, featuring junior sports in particular. They also provide coverage of other special events and issues. Halloween safety and "care" packages and needs of the local military people participating in Desert Shield/Storm were among their more significant non-sporting shows. Many of their shows feature call-in segments and trivia contests with prizes provided by Warner Cable.

The goals of the committee for the future include finalizing the transfer of the license, improve, upgrade and replace equipment as needed to insure top quality performance of the system and equipment available to the users. We will continue to represent the public with respect to fees and support any legislation that will implement regulation of fees and providing more local control of cable systems. We will be setting priorities and addressing issues with regard to 1995 when the current license expires with thoughts as to what the Towns needs and desires may be.

We would be remiss in not thanking Terry O'Connell, general manager and Marcia Bilius, local program director of Warner, as well as Leonard Kaplin of the Swampscott Studio for their efforts and cooperation in working with the committee. A special thanks to Charlie Lyons and John Regan for their active role in working with the committee and their valuable expertise in the area of equipment performance, quality evaluation, and production needs.

The committee continues to urge townspeople to become involved with the cable system and utilize the public access facilities and equipment. Training in the areas of equipment use, production and broadcasting are available from Warner. The committee encourages and welcomes comments and suggestions from residents on what can be done to improve our cable system.

## Department of Civil Defense

The Swampscott Civil Defense had a fairly quiet year with the exception of having to respond to the City of Lynn, as requested by Massachusetts Area 1 headquarters, to provide emergency lighting for security during toxic lead removal operations. We responded to Blodgett Avenue to provide lighting during the emergency seawall restoration.

With the assistance of John and Andy Telford we have been able to keep the equipment in running shape. Donations of tools, lighting equipment or other equipment that could be used during emergencies are always welcome. Volunteers are welcome, even if only during an emergency. Please contact the Director at 598-3732, for more information.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard E. Maitland

# Conservation Commission

Annual Report 1990

Lawrence F. Picariello, Chairman

David Dilisio

Harold Keating

Richard P. Major

David McCarthy

Barbara Schaefer

Nelson Kessler

The Conservation Commission held twelve meetings, including four public hearings under the Wet Land Protection Act on Requests for a Determination of Applicability. Permission with conditions were granted to all twelve requests. As a result of a severe coastal storm causing substantial beach erosion, the Commission also heard four Emergency Requests for Certification by property owners along Phillips Beach (for repair work) which were approved.

In November, Sarah P. Ingalls resigned from the Commission. Her expertise and commitment to service for the Town will be deeply missed by the Commission. Nelson Kessler was appointed to the Commission in the Fall of this year.

We would like to thank the D.P.W. for all the help they have given the Commission over the past year.

Lawrence F. Picariello, Chairman

# Council on Aging

Alice Winston, Chairman  
Lorraine Pelletier, Secretary  
Ruth Roche, Treasurer  
Martin Plum  
Roberta Kaloust  
Vincent P. O'Brien  
James Kapoll  
Renee Plum

The Council on Aging has seen many changes this year. Foremost was the upgrading of our clerk/coordinator position to that of director. By upgrading this position, the Council and the entire functioning of the Senior Center has been greatly enhanced. Daily on site decisions are made by our director, Elaine Capone. The planning of trips, parties, and programs and the daily operations of the Center are also the responsibility of our director. Elaine helps seniors with their problems and provides information when needed. Elaine Capone has received many commendations for her work and she is definitely an asset to our Council and to our elderly community.

Our senior van which was purchased for us by the town bears the logo "Seniors on the Move." This logo took on a new meaning this year. Not only were we able to use the van to increase the availability of transportation for shopping and for doctors appointments for our seniors, but we were able to help the high school seniors when transportation was needed. Because of the availability of the van, day trips have been taken to Kittery, Maine, North Shore Music Theatre, Giordano's Dinner Theatre, Lord Chauncey Manor, the Monet Art Exhibit, and Concord and Fall River Massachusetts.

One of the most interesting programs has been the interaction of our seniors with the elementary schools and the high school. Our seniors have attended the Machon School for a day of reminiscing, story telling, and exchanging of ideas. The students from Machon have visited the senior center to plant flower bulbs. The entertainment provided by the Hadley students at our monthly birthday parties has been such a treat. Stanley School students have made beautiful birthday and holiday place mats for the lunch trays. Our seniors were honored by the Clarke, Machon and High Schools with parties and luncheons.

The Council actively searched for grants. We were the recipients of a State Formula Grant, a one time only Stabilization Grant and



a Lottery Arts Grant. It was because of the funding from the stabilization grant that the Council was able to extend the hours of our director and improve our outreach program. Our goal is to have contact with every senior in town.

Our St. Patrick's Day party, the summer picnic and the Christmas/Hanukkah party were all well attended and very successful. The nutrition program can boast a yearly increase of 1200 meals served. Japanese Bunka Embroidery and Tailoring were two other programs which were very popular.

In an effort to maximize the usage of our center, the Council decided to let various town boards meet at our building. At this time, we would be remiss if we did not thank the recent special town meeting for allowing us the funds to paint our building in the spring.

Lastly, the Council would like to thank our more than 55 devoted volunteers for their countless hours of help. We could not survive without them.

# Board of Election Commissioners

Francis Mancini, Chairman  
Theodore Patrikis  
Timothy Davern  
Marguerite Cunningham

The Annual Town Census was conducted by mail in conjunction with the Federal Census held in April of this year. As areas are listed by blocks and tracts, population was broken down in a different way than by precincts. The total population rendered to the Federal Census Bureau was 13,464 town residents at this time.

## Town Election April 24, 1990

The annual Town Election was held on the fourth Tuesday of April, set by the General By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott. At the instruction of the Board of Selectmen, the polls were open from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. to act of the following:

- To choose a Moderator for one Year (1 Year)
- To choose Five members of the Board of Selectmen for one Year (1 Year)
- To choose One member of the Board of Assessors for three Years (3 Years)
- To choose One member of the Board of Public Works for three Years (3 Years)
- To choose Two members of the School Committee for three Years (3 Years)
- To choose One member of the Trustees of the Public Library for three Years (3 Years)
- To choose One member of the Board of Health for three Years (3 Years)
- To choose One member of the Planning Board for five Years (5 Years)
- To choose One member of the Swampscott Housing Authority for five Years (5 Years)
- To choose One Commissioner of Trust Funds for three Years (3 Years)
- To choose Nine Members of the Charter Commission
- To choose Eighteen (18) Town Meeting Members in each of the six precincts for three Years (3 Years) — See Town Clerk for results of Election

At the close of the election, Town Meeting will adjourn to Monday, April 30, 1990, at 7:45 P.M. at the Junior High School Auditorium.

The total registered voters at the close of registration on April 4, 1990 was 9258. The precinct count as follows:

Precinct One	1576
Two	1476
Three	1516
Four	1606
Five	1529
Six	1555
Total	9258

The total votes cast were as follows:

Precinct One	715
Two	676
Three	649
Four	737
Five	740
Six	747
Total	4264

This total represents 46.5% of the total registered voters. Absentee ballots were 222.

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
<b>Moderator (1 Year)</b>							
Martin C. Goldman	470	399	405	458	465	520	2717

**Selectmen (1 Year) 5 Elected**

Eva Peretsman	242	182	193	226	231	164	1238
James Rudolph	331	270	241	333	408	495	2078
Thomas Driscoll	285	343	364	331	270	286	1879
Daniel Santanello	365	333	351	455	393	423	2320
Chris Drucas	307	302	280	335	360	372	1956
Peter Beatrice	260	294	282	298	312	316	1762
Robert Perry	444	404	433	397	348	333	2359
Clinton Guy, Jr.	91	103	119	135	144	98	690

**Board of Assessors (3 Years)**

Vera Harrington	498	459	474	475	464	486	2856
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**Board of Public Works (3 Years)**

David Phillips	406	403	404	435	446	487	2581
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**School Committee (3 Years) 2 Elected**

Edward Palleschi	335	311	328	318	270	263	1825
Robert Ingram	230	281	309	355	368	369	1912
Eva Peretsman	212	154	157	196	197	126	1042
Richard Feinberg	318	321	258	325	346	439	2007

**Trustee of Public Library (3 Years)**

Thomas Cesarz	430	398	404	442	503	2626	
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**Board of Health (3 Years) 1 Elected**

Ann Greenbaum	182	180	187	165	211	196	1121
Eugene Nigrelli	205	100	149	173	112	169	908
Eva Peretsman	122	88	92	125	135	85	647
Peter Barker	73	184	97	84	113	120	671
Arthur Freedman	67	54	63	123	96	93	496

**Planning Board (5 Years) 1 Elected**

Matthew Leahy	261	290	253	232	229	220	1485
John V. Phelan III	246	238	263	353	318	318	1736

**Swampscott Housing Authority (5 Years)**

Barbara Eldridge	414	399	416	419	408	441	2497
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**Commissioner of Trust Funds (3 Years)**

Louis Gallo	456	430	446	462	470	490	2754
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**Charter Commission — Elect (9) Nine**

Brian Murphy	217	222	234	288	239	245	1445
Catherine Woods	191	184	248	268	215	206	1312
Geoffrey Wermuth	89	97	110	106	112	135	649
Robert Donelan	262	302	308	342	330	269	1813
Kathleen Magee	142	127	208	171	159	171	978
Lawrence Greenbaum	313	284	271	279	340	380	1867
Thomas Driscoll, Jr	298	331	348	294	295	302	1868
Clinton Guy, Jr.	150	147	186	179	191	164	1017
Brian Drummond	96	116	155	191	137	124	819
Eva Peretsman	238	207	204	230	230	182	1291
Francis Cassidy	223	265	262	3338	274	282	1644
Bruce Chesley	59	55	84	46	69	74	387
Vera Harrington	288	233	247	252	261	254	1535
Douglas Allen	215	234	263	280	287	340	1619
William DiMento	244	274	264	358	307	346	1793



There were eight (8) questions on the Ballot for April 24, 1990 as follows:

**Question #1** — Shall the Town vote to revise its present Charter and elect nine (9) Charter Commission Members?

Yes: 2160      No: 1074

**Question #2** — Shall the Town of Swampscott be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Prop. 2½, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to fund the expenses and costs connected with the construction of sewerage treatment and sewerage disposal facilities and appurtenances thereto?

Yes: 1980      No: 1470

**Question #3** — Shall the Town vote to accept the proposed trash collection fee? Non-binding

Yes: 1469      No: 1883

**Question #4** — In the event that the trash collection fee is rejected, shall the Town be required to refund such fees, without interest, to all persons who have the fee? Non-binding.

Yes: 2059      No: 1224

**Question #5** — Should the Town fund and support its Public Library at \$227,000, the minimum needed, to keep the library open without depending on an override vote? Non-binding.

Yes: 2743      No: 623

**Question #6** — Shall the Fire Chief's position be removed from Civil Service? Non-binding.

Yes: 659      No: 2588

**Question #7** — Do you oppose further cuts or withholding of local aid? Non-binding.

Yes: 2083      No: 1146

**Question #8** — Should the State share 40% of its revenue from growth taxes, with towns and cities on a continuing and consistent basis to help support basic local services? Non-binding.

Yes: 2855      No: 372

# Special Town Election

June 19, 1990

The Board of Selectmen set the hours for the Special Town Election to be held on June 19, 1990 as 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the purpose as follows:

**Question #1** — Shall the Town of Swampscott be allowed to assess an additional \$1,837,000. in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding expenditures for Public Schools, Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works and other Town Departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1990, under the contingent portion of the Town's annual budget.

The total registered voters at the close of registration on June 2, 1990, was 8939. The precinct count as follows:

Precinct One	1532
Two	1422
Three	1462
Four	1545
Five	1469
Six	1509
Total	<u>8939</u>

The total votes were cast as follows:

Total voter turnout was 56%.

		Yes	No
Precinct	One	721	262
	Two	802	419
	Three	727	382
	Four	969	537
	Five	896	437
	Six	<u>924</u>	<u>547</u>
	Total	5039	2401

Absentee ballots cast were 230.

This was the year for the Federal Census, beginning in April, 1990. All information was compiled and sent to the Census Bureau. This was done thru August, 1990. This report consisted of Housing Units, Special places, population census count of residents on each Street and Electric Co. information. This has been compiled by tracts and blocks of the Town of Swampscott and is available in the Election Commission office for use by Real Estate Brokers and other interested parties.

# State Primary

Tuesday, September 18, 1990

To cast their votes in the State Primary for the nomination of candidates of political parties for the following offices:

U.S. Senator for the Commonwealth  
 Governor and Lt. Governor for the Commonwealth  
 Attorney General for the Commonwealth  
 Secretary for the Commonwealth  
 Treasurer for the Commonwealth  
 Auditor for the Commonwealth  
 Representative in Congress for the Sixth Congressional District  
 Councillor for the Fifth Councillor District  
 Senator in General Court for the First Senatorial District  
 Representative in General Court for the Eighth Representative District  
 District Attorney for the Eastern District  
 Register of Probate for Essex County  
 County Treasurer for Essex County  
 County Commissioner for Essex County

The following Democratic voters cast their ballots:

Precinct One	663
Two	582
Three	541
Four	642
Five	618
Six	626
Total	3672

Absentee ballots cast were 125.

## Democratic Ballot

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
<b>Senator in Congress</b>							
John Kerry	463	412	397	425	430	418	2545
<b>Governor</b>							
F. X. Bellotti	250	192	212	248	219	223	1344
E. F. Murphy (Candidate withdrew)	14	13	8	11	11	9	66
John Silber	383	358	310	366	364	374	2155

<b>Lt. Governor</b>								
M. O. Clapprood	326	280	281	336	284	289	1796	
Wm. B. Golden	168	136	120	142	148	156	870	
N. A. Paleologos	91	87	74	73	83	76	484	
<b>Attorney General</b>								
James M. Shannon	268	243	239	250	260	214	1474	
L. Scott Harshbarger	342	283	248	344	307	361	1885	
<b>Secretary of State</b>								
M. J. Connolly	389	346	322	360	333	361	2111	
<b>Treasurer</b>								
W. F. Galvin	258	248	226	265	240	246	1483	
Geo. Keverian	190	150	132	162	172	155	961	
Dick Kraus	136	98	107	139	110	124	714	
<b>Auditor</b>								
A. J. DeNucci	394	337	331	358	327	371	2118	
<b>Repr. in Congress — 6th Distr.</b>								
Nick Mavroules	529	436	406	457	452	491	2771	
<b>Councillor — 5th Distr.</b>								
J. F. Markey	322	258	222	274	265	327	1668	
Vincent A. Raponi	178	156	164	165	152	118	933	
<b>Senator in General Court — 1st Essex</b>								
Walter J. Boverini	445	392	357	298	381	416	2289	
<b>Representative in General Court — 8th Essex</b>								
M. J. Beatrice	162	207	159	181	176	145	1030	
L. Greenbaum	255	60	160	155	191	163	1084	
D. P. Kelly, Sr.	30	27	37	17	20	12	143	
Eva Peretsman	71	54	59	72	68	55	379	
Douglas W. Petersen	122	110	100	197	148	230	907	
<b>District Attorney</b>								
Kevin M. Burke	442	385	347	398	381	404	2357	
<b>Register of Probate — Essex County</b>								
P. M. Blanchette	69	56	56	59	70	67	377	
Carmen J. Ciampa	87	49	52	65	68	43	364	
James F. X. Doherty	101	70	82	93	77	91	514	
P. J. McManus	220	247	214	232	184	178	1275	
<b>County Treasurer</b>								
Katherine O'Leary	411	355	317	354	319	346	2102	
<b>County Commissioner</b>								
Charles T. Arena	338	274	271	304	285	287	1759	
Christie Ciampa, Jr.	156	145	142	144	125	112	824	



## Republican Ballot

The following Republican voters cast their ballots:

Precinct One	270
Two	254
Three	260
Four	262
Five	303
Six	321
Total	1670

Absentee Ballots cast were 75.

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
<b>Senator in Congress</b>							
D. S. Daly	64	60	65	67	71	84	411
Jim Rappaport	174	164	154	163	200	187	1042
<b>Governor</b>							
Steven D. Pierce	76	97	95	87	89	76	520
Wm. F. Weld	187	151	160	173	211	241	1123
<b>Lt. Governor</b>							
A. Paul Cellucci	99	87	81	91	127	117	602
P. G. Torkildsen	141	141	149	140	145	142	858
<b>Attorney General</b>							
Guy A. Carbone	96	95	79	89	111	112	582
Wm. C. Sawyer	120	110	118	122	130	131	731
<b>Secretary of State</b>							
Paul McCarthy	166	172	172	162	200	210	1082
<b>Treasurer</b>							
Jos. D. Malone	206	191	205	196	236	237	1271
<b>Auditor</b>							
Douglas J. Murray	167	155	171	159	195	201	1048
<b>Representative in Congress — 6th District</b>							
Edgar L. Kelley	166	161	171	167	193	194	1052
<b>Councillor — 5th Distr.</b>							
J. P. Harris	167	143	166	155	190	175	996
<b>Senator in General Court — 1st Essex</b>							
R. L. Pinch	162	146	169	161	182	196	1016

**Representative in General Court — 8th Essex**

M. L. Jones	68	71	60	75	84	69	427
Monica S. Staaf	135	134	132	136	157	137	831

**District Attorney**

None

**Register of Probate — Essex County**

E. C. Hudson	162	153	169	158	188	201	1031
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**County Treasurer**

George K. Mazareas	172	144	163	161	188	188	1016
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**County Commissioner**

Kevin J. Leach	166	147	167	160	189	205	1034
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The total number of registered voters for the State Primary was 9183. The total voter turnout was 5342, this was 57.8%.

**Federal and State Election****November 6, 1990**

The Board of Selectmen voted to set the polling hours for the State Election to be held on November 6, 1990, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

The voters of the Town of Swampscott will cast their votes for the following:

U.S. Senator for the Commonwealth

Governor and Lt. Governor for the Commonwealth

Attorney General for the Commonwealth

Secretary for the Commonwealth

Treasurer for the Commonwealth

Auditor for the Commonwealth

Representative in Congress for the 6th Congressional District

Councillor for the 5th Councillor District

Senator in General Court for the 8th Senatorial District

Representative in General Court for the 8th Representative District

District Attorney for the Eastern District

Register of Probate for Essex County

County Treasurer for Essex County

County Commissioner for Essex County

## Questions

- #1 — Abolishing the state Census
- #2 — Restricting use of state consultants
- #3 — Changing laws concerning state taxes and fees
- #4 — Changing requirements for political parties and candidates
- #5 — Allocating state aid to cities and towns
- #6 — Free and equal broadcast time for candidates

### Local and Public Policy Question

- #7 — Abolishing the elected office of County Commissioner and Treasurer

The total number of registered voters at the close of registration on October 9, 1990 was 9439. Breakdown as follows:

Precinct One	1638
Two	1488
Three	1567
Four	1631
Five	1568
Six	1547
Total	<u>9439</u>

The total number of registered voters who cast their votes in this election was 7278. This was 77% of the registered voters. There was a total of 461 Absentee Ballots.

Precinct One	1259
Two	1190
Three	1104
Four	1254
Five	1219
Six	1252
Total	<u>7278</u>

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
<b>Senator in Congress</b>							
John Kerry	739	689	663	746	703	729	4269
Jim Rappaport	485	452	404	449	482	487	2759
<b>Governor and Lt. Governor</b>							
Silber & Clapprood	609	573	536	595	536	523	3372
Weld & Cellucci	601	564	521	612	636	684	3618
Umina & Deberry	26	23	16	20	21	21	127

**Attorney General**

L. Scott Harshbarger	843	783	716	817	791	850	4800
Wm. C. Sawyer	325	327	321	352	367	328	2020

**Secretary of State**

Michael J. Connolly	523	516	483	540	473	523	3058
Paul McCarthy	391	397	378	406	442	415	2429
B. F. Ahearn	206	156	141	177	197	175	1052

**Treasurer**

Wm. F. Galvin	400	383	402	379	341	361	2266
Jos. D. Malone	722	688	593	754	768	763	4288
C. D. Nash	69	46	49	53	56	51	324

**Auditor**

A. Jos. DeNucci	675	656	616	675	596	646	3864
Douglas J. Murray	325	329	302	357	400	374	2087
S. K. Sherman	119	69	66	70	102	79	505

**Representative in Congress — 6th District**

Nick Mavroules	953	859	751	849	858	911	5181
Edgar L. Kelley	262	274	281	314	318	283	1732

**Councillor — 5th District**

John F. Markey	627	582	523	573	547	573	3425
John P. Harris	452	423	413	452	508	475	2723

**Senator in General Court — 1st Essex**

Walter J. Boverini	729	680	624	711	686	689	4119
Randall L. Pinch	412	392	368	407	437	423	2439

**Representative in General Court — 8th Essex**

Douglas Petersen	636	629	539	642	603	670	3719
Monica S. Staaf	454	423	443	469	499	487	2775
Don Rousseau	63	52	49	65	48	40	317

**District Attorney**

Kevin M. Burke	856	802	746	782	794	805	4785
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**Register of Probate — Essex County**

Peter Blanchette	518	468	467	472	416	464	2805
Everett C. Hudson	478	456	437	498	557	491	2917

**County Treasurer**

Katherine O'Leary	567	502	522	580	498	502	3171
George K. Mazareas	488	490	418	452	540	539	2927

**County Commissioner**

Chas. T. Arena	549	488	487	541	495	467	3027
Kevin J. Leach	496	441	434	477	550	520	2918



**Question #1****Abolishing the State Census**

Yes	921	910	826	974	938	974	5543
No	225	190	194	188	171	190	1158

**Question #2****Restricting use of State Consultants**

Yes	519	491	410	455	474	469	2818
No	648	631	627	722	671	718	4017

**Question #3****Changing laws concerning state taxes and fees**

Yes	563	482	419	487	560	520	3031
No	627	656	635	724	602	688	3932

**Question #4****Changing requirements for political parties and candidates**

Yes	534	531	480	557	537	524	3163
No	551	534	516	583	547	600	3331

**Question #5****Allocating state aid to cities and towns**

Yes	676	637	576	627	691	680	3887
No	409	419	411	498	390	437	2564

**Question #6****Free and equal broadcast time for candidates**

Yes	515	456	459	526	482	478	2916
No	471	514	445	524	515	546	3015

**Question #7 — Local and Public Policy Question****Abolishing the elected office of County Commissioner and Treasurer**

Yes	638	582	517	622	641	644	3644
No	349	349	352	366	309	347	2072

The four member Board of Election Commissioners meets on one Tuesday of the month, according to their schedules. They discuss voter registration, elections, laws relating to elections, conditions of the voting machines at time of the elections, etc. This year Sequoia Pacific sent their technicians to repair the machines whenever they could. They repaired several machines and they were in acceptable shape for all elections this year. This year was the first year the Street Directory of Residents over 17 was not printed because of lack of funds. There had been several requests for this book. This year the voting polls used computer lists for their poll sheets which were run off by the computer in the Election Office. This seemed to eliminate a lot of trouble for the workers at the polls at time of the elections. Input of over 9,000 names were typed into the computer and this was done over a period of a few months. We are hopeful the computer will be of much more use in the future and this seems to be the coming thing for the elections office.

# **Fire Department**

William R. Hyde, Chief

The following is the report of the Fire Chief for the year 1990:

During the year 1990, this department answered a total of 1062 alarms. Of these alarms, 42 were building fires, 20 were traffic accidents, 214 were medical aids. The remainder of these calls included lockouts, false alarms, mutual aid runs to other cities and towns, electrical fires, chimney fires, oil burner fires, details and miscellaneous incidents. We inspected and issued 43 permits for oil burners. There were 163 parcels of property inspected for smoke detectors. The law requires that all new homes be inspected for smoke detectors and also homes that are being sold.

## **Apparatus**

The apparatus of this department continues to be in excellent operating condition thanks to the conscientious work of our mechanic Bob Pierro. Bob is one of the most respected mechanics in the Fire Service. I wish to thank Bob on behalf of the Town for his dedication.

## **Fire Drills and Inspections**

Fire drills were conducted at all schools during the year 1990. Fire drills are conducted shortly after school opens in September, during Fire Prevention Week and other times throughout the year. These drills are conducted in an orderly and efficient manner under the supervision of my Officers. I would like to commend as usual, the principals and faculty for their help during these drills. All fire alarm systems are checked in the schools by the electrical inspector and members of this department prior to the September opening. All systems were found to be in proper working condition. Fire drills were also performed in accordance with the law at the Jewish Rehabilitation Center for the aged, and all buildings under the supervision of the Greater Lynn Mental Health. All mercantile, public and other buildings under our control have been inspected in accordance with the law. Inspection of property is a valuable part of the fire service and we of the Fire Service are more than happy to do our part in this most important work. Citizens of Swampscott are urged to contact their fire department for suggestions on fire prevention and fire safety. The number to call is 595-4050.

## **Fire Alarm System**

The Fire Alalrm System is maintained by the Town Electrical Inspector. Overhead wiring is still needed in some parts of the town. Each year for the past few years, the Town Meeting has voted a sum of money for the electrical inspector to perform the necessary work on the system as required to keep it up to code. I am in hopes that this program will continue in order to give the citizens the best possible protection. Fire alarm boxes are important and all residents should know the location of the fire alarm box nearest to their home. The box can be used to summon help immediately for any type of emergency. The fire alarm box is not limited to fire related incidents, but can be used to summon help for medical aids, automobile fires and accidents and similar incidents requiring the fire and police. Anyone not familiar with the fire alarm box operation, should call the fire department for instructions in its use. Do not hesitate to use the fire alarm box if necessary.

## **Personnel**

There has been no changes in personnel of this department during the year 1990. During fire prevention week this year, Tim Sweeney and Remo Zimbaldi organized a program for the children and adults. Demonstrations were given of the various equipment and the children were treated with goodies that were made by the firefighters wives and also from donations by Joe Newman of Newmans bakery. The program was a complete success and the cooperation of the school principals and the teachers made it even more of a success. Both Tim and Remo were given letters of commendations and they were also recognized by the Board of Selectmen. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Tim, Remo and all who helped. We are looking forward to next year.

## **Recommendations**

I recommend the appointment of a Deputy Chief.

I recommend the appointment of additional personnel.

I recommend the appointment of a fire prevention officer.

I recommend the replacing of fire alarm boxes throughout Town as needed.

I recommend a program of replacing fire department vehicles on a regular basis.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, Town Meeting Members, all Town departments and especially to the Officer's and Firefighters of my own department for their cooperation during the year 1990.

Respectfully submitted,

William R. Hyde  
Chief of Department

## Forest Warden

The following is the report of the Forest Warden for the year 1990: During the year 1990, this department issued 11 burning permits to the residents of Swampscott. This was done in accordance with the law which permits open burning during the period January 15 through May 1. This burning to consist of open burning of products of open space land husbandry and management, including materials commonly referred to as brush including vegetation such as tree branches, brush, cane, driftwood and other forestry debris but excluding grass, hay or leaves. The permit for such burning to be obtained from the Head of the Fire Department.

Such burning shall be performed in accordance with the following requirements; a) without causing a nuisance, b) with smoke minimizing starters if starters are necessary, c) between the hours of ten o'clock in the morning until four o'clock in the afternoon, d) on land proximate to the place of generation of such products or at such place as may be designated in the permit.

Violations shall be punishable by a fine of not more than fifty dollars per day, and each day's violation shall constitute a separate offense.

Respectfully Submitted,

William R. Hyde  
Chief of Department



# Swampscott Rotary Fourth of July Committee

Our Town's 1990 Fourth of July Celebration went off successfully due to the tremendous effort of many townspeople. Nancy Carden, Sandi Santanello, Rick Wood, Ernie Mazola, and the members of the Swampscott Rotary Club deserve special recognition. Without their efforts, our Town's festivities would not have been possible.

A total of \$24,785.18 was collected from residents and businesses. This left us with a balance of approximately \$3,000.00 to be used for the printing and mailing for 1991.

Major expenses were:

Fireworks .....	\$16,590.00
Printing & Postage .....	4,036.48
Police Coverage .....	2,688.00
Parade/Concert .....	2,179.00
Total .....	24,293.48

Very Sincerely,

Andy Hansen

## Harbormaster

Lawrence P. Bithell, Harbormaster

Assistants:

Roger Bruley

John Cawley

William Hennessey

Donald Peterson

Because Swampscott's coastal environment remains its most valuable asset, boating continues to be a very popular form of recreation within the community. In addition, since the sea bordering the Town is rich in fish and lobster, significant commercial boating activity emanates from Swampscott Harbor.

In all, nearly one hundred eighty boats were moored in Town waters in 1990.

The Harbormaster's Department functions to assist boaters of the community by providing a broad range of services. Those services include recommendations for mooring specifications, location of moorings, and management of the permit system, enforcement of

boating regulations on Swampscott waters, rescues as needs arise and, in general, seeing to it that boating in Swampscott remains a safe and pleasurable pastime.

The department also secures and maintains all equipment necessary to accomplish the services provided. Along those lines, in 1990, the eight year old engine for the town boat was replaced. A new 120 horsepower Evinrude outboard motor was placed into service. It functioned well and it should continue to provide efficient, reliable service for years to come.

As in past years, your harbormaster and several assistants are active members of the Massachusetts Harbormasters Association. Through the MHA, we attend meetings and seminars designed to keep us abreast of the latest methods for providing optimum service to the boating community. We continue to maintain and enhance associations with neighboring harbormasters, with the Massachusetts Environmental Police, and with the United States Coast Guard as well as with the Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management organization all of which considerably benefit Swampscott boaters.

Historians may record that 1990 was the year of one of the worst coastal storms in memory. On December 4th, during the astrological condition of perigee, tides were at their most extreme levels in more than sixty years. This, coupled with severe southeasterly winds, caused considerable damage to Swampscott's south facing beaches and seawalls and one commercial boat was destroyed having been cast upon the rocks at Fishermans Beach. Fortunately, few boats remained in the water at that time. Most fishermen heeded forecasts and took their vessels to more sheltered waters until the tides and weather abated.

Remaining highest on the harbormaster's list of priorities is harbor dredging. Conditions within the anchorage at Swampscott Harbor are currently marginal, especially for the larger commercial boats.

As in past years, we wish to extend appreciation to the Public Works, Police, and Fire Departments as well as to the Finance Committee, to Town Meeting, and to the Board of Selectmen for their support of the Harbormaster's objectives. To recently retired assistant harbormasters, Michael Gambale and William Guay, thanks also for so many years of fine service. Finally, to the Swampscott boaters whom we serve, your cooperation and support are most appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence P. Bithell  
Swampscott Harbormaster

# Swampscott Housing Authority

Michael A. Palleschi, Chairman

Barbara F. Eldridge, Vice-Chairman

Albert DiLisio, Member

John F. O'Hare, Member

Mark N. Thomas, Executive Director and Secretary

The office of the Authority is located at 6 Duncan Terrace and is open daily to the public from 8:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. Regular and Special Meetings are held as often as necessary to carry out the business of the Authority. The Annual Election of Officers is held on the third Wednesday following the Annual Town Election.

The Authority was established in 1948 and is an independent corporation from the Town. The Authority has five Members, four are elected by the voters of the Town of Swampscott and the fifth member is appointed by the Secretary, of the Executive Office of Communities and Development.

Information with regard to Admission, Continued Occupancy Limits and Eligibility Requirements for both types of housing in the Town can be obtained by calling the Authority Office at 593-5516 or calling in person during business hours.

All Rules and Regulations pertaining to Public Housing are on file for inspection by the public.

200-1 The vinyl siding modernization project for the nine buildings at Cherry Street and Cherry Court began on December 3, 1990. It will be completed by the end of January, 1991 after three years of work by the Board Members to obtain the funding. The future plans of the Board Members is to obtain funding from the State for financial assistance in establishing a Day Care Center, so the single parents in family housing will have the opportunity to participate in one of the many State's Job Training Programs.

667-C The Board Members are still working on funding from the State for the much needed Laundry Room at the Doherty Circle Complex. The Board Members will not deter in their efforts. The Housing Authority is still vigorously looking for financing for much needed additional family and elderly housing.

The five Board Members and the Executive Director of the Swampscott Housing Authority would like to express their appreciation to the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Appeals for their support and interest.



# Board of Health

Gene Nigrelli, Chairman  
Ann Greenbaum, R.N., M.S.W.  
Peter Barker, M.D.  
Kent F. Murphy, Health Officer

This year was a busy year for your Board of Health. Two Board Members resigned due to pressing medical practices. Dr. Steven Lefkowitz, who has served since 1984, resigned due to his very active and pressing duties as a Cardiologist. Dr. Theodore Dushan, having served as a Board of Health member and Board Physician since 1977, resigned due to his pressing practice as a Pediatrician. He remains as a Board of Health Physician, and was joined in those duties by newly appointed Board Member, Dr. Peter Barker.

Chairman Robert Murphy chose not to run for re-election after having served since 1976. Robert Murphy stayed on as an appointed member and Chairman of the Recycling Committee. A Committee he, and other members of the Board of Health, began, and a program he promoted.

We wish to thank Robert Murphy, Dr. Theodore Dushan and Dr. Steven Lefkowitz for their many years of service on the Board of Health for the Town of Swampscott.

Mrs. Ann Greenbaum, R.N., M.S.W., the High School and Middle School Nurse and previous Board of Health Public Health Nurse, was elected to the Board of Health this year. Dr. Peter Barker and Gene Nigrelli were appointed in joint conference with the Board of Selectmen and the one member of the Board of Health.

This year 148 deaths were reported to the Health Department. The leading causes of death were: heart problems, 66; cancer, 24; pulmonary-lung, 22; C.V.A., 15; gastro-intestinal, 6; alzheimer's, 5; kidney-urinary, 5; diabetes, 2; suicide, 2; anemia, 1. There were 130 births reported this year.

This past fiscal year the previous Board of Health had, at the request of the Finance Committee and the majority of the Board of Selectmen, instituted a rubbish fee system of \$52.50 per dwelling unit. This was not an easy task, however, it did generate the money needed by the Finance Committee. Thanks to the override, the rubbish fee system was dropped.



Recycling was a major interest this past year. The Board of Health appointed a Recycling Committee in November, 1989. Since that time the Board has expanded to include the following members: Alice Winston, Gene Nigrelli, Daniel Santanello, Kevin Gookin, Mrs. Ann Greenbaum, Sarah Ingalls, Nelson Kessler, Peter Barker, MD, Jeffrey Yoffa, Alex Souppa, Kent Murphy, Barbara Jaslow Schaefer, Nicole Higgins, Samantha Young, Claudia Luck, Robert Murphy Chairs this very active committee. The first Recycling Center, at the old Water Yard, Pine St., was abandoned because of neighborhood objections. The present drop off center at the Swampscott Waste Water Treatment Plant, Humphrey St., is very successful. We have recycled 167 tons of newspaper, 40 tons of white metals, 20 cubic yards of tin cans, 8 tons of glass and many containers of returnables. The recycling Committee and the Board of Health have spent \$1,476.38 for supplies, \$1,925.00 in transportation, received \$978.33 in sales of recyclables, \$3,708.97 saved at Resco and, as of December 13, have a net savings of \$1,285.92. We have successfully reduced our tonnage by 243 tons this year at a savings of approximately \$6,000.00.

Our rubbish collection contract with Hiltz Co., expires on June 30, 1991. We will go out to bid for a new contract this winter and will include an addendum for curbside recycling to advance our percentage of tonnage reduction from our rubbish collection tonnage.

The consortium of 13 communities who contract with, and use, Resco agreed to hire the law firm of Palmer & Dodge, the engineering firm of Camp Dresser & McKee to enforce our present contract and prevent Resco from charging exorbitant prices. This action has held the disposal cost down for the past two years.

Our Alcohol & Drug Program i.e. "A Sequel to Adolescents Just Don't Happen" will be presented again this year, being funded and co-sponsored by the Swampscott Rotary with the cooperation of the Swampscott School Department. We are indebted to the Swampscott Rotary for totally funding the very successful program two years ago and thank them for committing to this year's program. Attendance at last year's program was over two hundred people per night for six nights. Again our thanks to the Rotary. We are especially appreciative of Dr. Theodore Dushan for putting this program on.

Our clerk, Bertha Hardy, retired and we wish her long health and happiness in retirement and welcome our new clerk, Diane Erickson.

The Annual Flu Clinics were well attended this year. The first clinic was greatly received. A total of 820 vaccines were given. St.

John the Evangelist Church again donated the use of its new school hall on Humphrey St. Thank you St. Johns. We are also indebted to the following volunteers: Dr. Peter Barker, M.D., Phyllis Connolly, R.N., Martha Morcou, R.N., Joan Fried, R.N., Joanne Massey, R.N., Ruth Epstein, R.N., Leslie Breen, R.N., Joan Myers, R.N. Ann Greenbaum, R.N., Barbara Eldridge, Dorothy Stemniski, Marion Gonsalves, Marjorie Macajone, Sally Abbruzzi, Carol Dedrick, Paul DiBesse, without whose help the clinics would not be feasible. Again, thank you volunteers. We also gave 120 pneumonia inoculations, passing the cost of the vaccine through to the recipients. There were six clinics held this year.

Blood lead screening were offered at all six Day Care Centers that are licensed by the Town as well as four Kindergartens. All tests were within normal limits. We also provide health service, licensing and inspection to these six licensed Day Care Centers.

Our Public Health Nurse, Joan Myers, also conducts blood pressure screening for seniors at the Senior Citizen Center, made home visits, conducted dental clinics, and in cooperation with school nurses, conducted immunization clinics.

Dr. Arthur A. Barry, DVM, again put on our rabies clinic in the Spring. A total of 86 animals were given a rabies shot.

Our bathing beach testing went reasonably well this year. Kings Beach was polluted twice and closed twice this past summer. It is hoped that the inflow infiltration corrections will abate these beach pollution problems as part of the Lynn Sewer Connection.

Sacurd Way Subdivision has been a concern for the Board of Health and was recommended denial in Land Court, because it would exacerbate an already poor drainage problem. A decision is expected shortly.

We wish to thank all departments, boards and committees and many private citizens who help make our programs possible.

# Inspector of Wires

Daniel C. Cahill

Administrative Assistant:  
Helen M. Collins

I hereby submit the following report for 1990:

The office of the Inspector of Wires issued 264 permits for various electrical work during the year.

Fees collected were \$11,548.57

Permits were issued for new and old work, changes of service and installations for residential, commercial and municipal needs.

Work is nearly 95% completed at the Shipswatch Project on Humphrey Street.

During the year, the inspector was a member of the Field House Renovation Committee and inspected all electrical work at the facility.

This department and the personnel from the Swampscott Fire Department work together in inspection of fire alarm systems in public buildings. Plans are approved and inspections done of sprinkler systems in conjunction with the Fire Department.

Routine and emergency calls and inspections are done on a daily basis throughout the year. Office hours for the inspector are 5 to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Permits may be obtained in the Building Department office Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until noon.

Messages and requests for inspection are taken in the Building Department weekdays from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

# Swampscott Historical Commission

In the past year, the Commission processed seven Site Plan Review applications as required by the Town of Swampscott Zoning By-Laws. We also answered a multitude of requests for information on or about the Town, its inhabitants or specific buildings and areas.

The Commission also voted to hold our regular meetings on the first Monday of the month and to move the meetings to Swampscott High School.

Commission members received notice that the Swampscott Historical Society building at 99 Paradise Road has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service. Appropriately, the Commission placed a bronze plaque on the house in December.

The Commission acquired a series of 10 small lithographs of the New Ocean House Hotel for the Town's collections of historical material. Several other photos and articles were also donated to us.

Louis A. Gallo, Chairman, attended the US Department of Interior's hearings in Salem and Haverill on the "Salem Project" to encourage tourism in Essex County. Gallo also serves as the Commission's representative on the Fish House Study Committee.

The Historical Commission has voted to support the efforts of the Church of the Holy Name (Episcopal) to have their building placed on the National Register. As to this effort the chairman spent several hours touring the Town with the Director of Historical Surveys from the Office of the Massachusetts Secretary of State. The Commission is doing a survey of the "Swampscott Land Trust" subdivision by Frederick Law Olmsted.

The need for a complete survey of the entire Town's assets has prompted us to sponsor an article in the 1991 Town Meeting Warrant seeking matching funds for a state grant to accomplish this survey.

Jack Butterworth was appointed chairman of a sub-committee to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Walter Brennan's birthday, July 25, 1994.

We wish to thank Howard Vatcher for the extremely detailed wooden model of a Swampscott sailing dory which showcased our display on the Swampscott Dory, undoubtedly one of our most popular displays at the Town Administration Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis A. Gallo, Chairman



# **The Planning Board**

Eugene Barden, Chairman  
Brian T. Watson, Clerk  
John Phelan, III  
Veeder C. Nellis  
Peter Beatrice, Jr.

The Planning Board held eleven meetings during the year ending December 31, 1990 to study and recommend action on various site plans, subdivision plans, easement plans, and a multitude of other planning and development issues. In addition, individual members made site visits and responded to citizen inquiries.

In its continuous efforts to be involved and make informed recommendations in the Town's interests, the Planning Board also held discussions on traffic, wetlands, parking, and landscaping issues. The Board continues its support for landbank legislation as a means to create a fund for future conservation land acquisition.

The Board continued its gradual effort to improve and update the Zoning By-Law and the subdivision rules and regulations and held numerous discussions regarding possible changes. With the Building Inspector and the Board of Appeals, the Planning Board constantly measured the effectiveness of the By-Law in clearly defining permissible construction.

We look forward to working with the various Town Boards and individuals in 1991.

## **Swampscott Public Library**

For the Library, 1990 was a year of hope, fear, and relief but — most important of all — of stability.

The Library started the year with a new Director, Stephen A. Fulchino, who began January 8th. His first job was to prepare the FY91 budget. For a time, however, the preparation looked to be an academic exercise, as rumors swirled that the Finance Committee was considering eliminating the Library if an override did not pass. The Friends of the Library organized a massive outpouring of support, which seems at least partially responsible for the Library having a modest amount set aside in the non-override budget.

With fear number one out of the way, fear number two came to the fore: without the override, the Library would have had to cut back its hours by a third. Fortunately, for the library service in Swampscott, the override passed, and the Library was able to keep its staff and stay open 48 hours a week.

Actually, the Library started the year at 40 hours. Starting in early February, the Library added Thursday nights and Saturday afternoons to its schedule Monday 9-5, Tuesday 9-9, Wednesday, 1-5, Thursday, 9-9, Friday 9-1, and Saturday, 9-5.

Also in February, the Board of Selectmen voted to give the Library the entire \$100,000 bequest of the late Judge Andrew Linscott. The Trustees have set the money aside in a special Linscott Endowment Fund.

The commitment of the Library to the children of Swampscott was confirmed by its expanding professional coverage for children from 22 hours a week to 35 hours. The number of story hours in each session went from three to five. We were able to do this with the hiring of a second part-time Children's Librarian, Ellen Wittlinger.

In March, the Library started a bimonthly newsletter, *Re: Sources*, which tells of upcoming programs and important collections. The Friends of the Library pay for the printing and mailing of *Re: Sources*.

In April, we added a new Secretary/Bookkeeper, Dorothy Forman, to the staff. The voters elected a new Trustee in the April Town elections. Thomas Cesarz replaced Kathy Epstein, who had decided not to run.

The Summer saw a large number of children's programs, the most notable of which was a writing class. At the end of the class, the Library produced a booklet entitled *Writers' Block: Poems, Stories & Plays by Swampscott Students*.

In addition, the Abbot Public Library in Marblehead was closed for most of the Summer. This caused many Marblehead patrons to use the Swampscott Library, creating perhaps the busiest Summer in Swampscott Public Library history.

In Fall, Jimmy Garfield rehung the pictures in the Reference Room.

On December 13th, the Library had an Open House to celebrate the addition of a public on-line catalogue, CL-CAT, to the Library's array of services.

The expanded Library hours, the expanded children's programming, and the problems of nearby libraries were probably all factors in the modest increase of the Library circulation to 121,704. And the amount of money collected by the Library and sent into the General Fund rose by about \$400 to \$9,378.

Without the aid of the Friends of the Library, the Library would not have had many small but necessary improvements and programs.

The Library could not function as efficiently as it does without the help of the following volunteers, who free up staff members for the more challenging tasks: Bob Gold, Irma Lager, Marion Manker, Mildred Bingham, Ruth Rolin, Jean Kalabokis, Adele Taymore, and Harriet Stanton.

Throughout this turbulent year — actually, set of years — the Trustees would like to acknowledge the one consistent fact of life which has allowed the Library to maintain its reputation for reliable, courteous, and proficient service: the staff.

## Committee to Study Repairs at the Phillips Beach Fire Station

I would like to make this report to you as the acting chairman of the Phillip's Beach Fire Station Renovation Committee:

At the 1988 Annual Town Meeting, a sum of \$65,000 was voted for the renovation of the Phillip's Beach Fire Station. Also at that meeting, a committee was appointed by the Town Moderator to oversee the project and the spending of all monies. That committee consisted of Robert Baker who was selected by the other members as the chairman, Fred Speranza, Fred Ribicandria, Dr. Arthur Schwartz, and Louis Frisch. Later on in the project, Chief William R. Hyde was appointed to the committee due to the resignation of Robert Baker due to business commitments.

After advertising in the Local paper and receiving sealed bids, the project was awarded to L & H Construction of 99 Grover Street, Medford. The project consisted of a complete remodeling of the kitchen and drill room area, a new heating system and substantial plumbing and electrical work.



The final bill was submitted to the Town Accountant for payment on December 21, 1990. I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Town Meeting Members who voted for this project and the members of the committee who devoted many hours of their time overseeing the project.

Very truly yours,

Fred Ribicandria  
Acting Chairman

## Metropolitan Area Planning Council

Thanks to Swampscott and 100 other communities, the Metropolitan Area Planning Council could continue to provide communities with regional planning services throughout fiscal year 1990.

1. As part of MetroPlan 2000 — our regional development plan — Swampscott was included in the following projects:

- a. mapping the sewer service area
- b. detailed analyses of sewer and water capacities
- c. solid waste management analyses and mapping
- d. analysis of local transportation priorities
- e. economic development and housing analyses
- f. open space and resource protection data analysis

MetroPlan 2000 has been presented to the Swampscott Board of Selectmen.

2. Swampscott was also included in these MAPC demographics reports:

Employment and Income Forecasts  
Population and Age Group Forecasts  
Regional and Community Population and Employment Forecasts  
Business and Residential Growth in Metropolitan Boston

3. MAPC also tracks recent and proposed commercial, industrial and residential development projects in Swampscott for research purposes.

4. The North Shore Transportation Task Force reviewed the 1990-94 TIP against subregional transportation priorities and examined local areas of environmental concern.

MAPC appreciates Swampscott's continued support, and looks forward to further service in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Robert Perry  
MAPC Representative



# Police Department

John E. Toomey, Chief

## Personnel

On October 22, 1990 Officer Donald E. Connor retired after 15 years of faithful and loyal service to the Police Department. On January 8, 1991 Sergeant Walter B. Lee retired after 19 years of faithful and loyal service to the Police Department. Both of these dedicated officers will be missed and we all wish them good health and longevity in their retirement.

## Training

Sergeant Francis Corcoran attended Mass. Criminal Justice Training Council classes to assume new duties as the department's police prosecutor.

All officers were recertified in CPR as required by law.

Fourteen officers completed recertification as EMT-A, necessary to perform ambulance services.

Lieutenant William McGinn and Officers John Dube, Thomas Stephens, David Matherson, Peter J. Cassidy and Eugene Ruscitti were trained as Infrared Breathalyzer Operators at the Mass. State Police Academy.

Captain Paul DesRoches was recertified by the FBI and Mass. Criminal Justice Training Council as a police firearms instructor in the semi-automatic pistol, revolver, and shotgun.

Thirty-nine regular, reserve and special police officers received re-qualification training in the service pistol and revolver.

Inspector George Gately attended a two day MCJTC school safety officers seminar.

Lieutenant John Alex and Officer John Dube attended training classes and were certified as FBI/NCIC computer coordinators for this department.

Inspector Robert Berry attended classes in police prosecuting and investigation of child abuse and family abuse cases.

## Daily Shift Report

Starting Activity Date .....1/01/90  
Starting Activity Time ..... :01

Ending Activity Date .....12/31/90  
Ending Activity Time .....23:59

Print Activities Involving a Case (C)  
OR All Activities (A): A

Selected Class Code to Print.....:

Sort of Sequence to Report .....: CLASS CODE

Print Complete/Active Calls.....: ALL CALLS

## SUMMARY REPORT ONLY

Shift Report Summary for 1/01/90 @ :01 to 12/31/90 23:59

		Complete	Active
<b>Calls for Service</b>		<b>5,517</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Officer Initiated Calls</b>		<b>523</b>	<b>0</b>
INFO	Information Only	6	0
TEST	Test	15	0
101B	Notification	43	0
101D	Assist Fire Department	17	0
101E	Assist Other PD	21	0
102A	Complaint	391	0
102B	Auto-Disabled	18	0
102C	Auto-Lockout	3	0
102D	Lockout-Other	1	0
102F	Transportation	7	0
102G	Money Escort	2	0
102J	DPW Notification	78	0
102K	Service Call General/No Crime	308	0
102M	Truants	3	0
103A	Hazardous Condition/General	18	0
103B	Fuel Spill	1	0
103C	Hazardous Road Conditions	12	0
103G	Snow/Ice Hazard	4	0
103H	Beach/Bather Hazard	1	0
103I	Marine Hazard	2	0
103J	Wire Down/Power Failure	18	0
103M	Road Defect	1	0
104A	Property/Found	19	0
104B	Property/Lost	17	0
104C	Property/Returned	1	0
104D	Property/Confiscated	3	0
104E	Property Damaged	2	0
104F	Recovered Bicycle	15	0
105A	Barking Dog	10	0

105B	Animal-Bites	11	0
105C	Animal-Cruelty	3	0
105D	Animal-Dead/Injured	59	0
105E	Animal-Loose	19	0
106B	Mental Illness Problem	17	0
106C	Sudden Death/Natural Causes	11	0
106D	Sudden Death/Investigation	3	0
106E	Medical Aid/Illness/Ambulance	195	0
106F	Medical Aid/Injury/Ambulance	87	0
106G	Medical Aid/Illness/Cruiser	41	0
106H	Medical Aid/Injury/Cruiser	25	0
106I	Medical Aid/No Transport/Refused	44	0
106J	Medical Aid/Private Transport	77	0
106K	Medical Aid/Assist Party	1	0
107A	Open Door/Window	235	0
107B	Street Lights Out	3	0
107C	Susp. Person/Vehicle/Activity	470	0
107D	Traffic Lights Out	2	0
107E	Street Sign Missing	1	0
107G	Water Break	4	0
108A	Alarm-Burg-False/Accidental	1,375	0
108B	Alarm-Fire-False/Accidental	129	0
108C	Alarms/DPW	3	0
109A	Suicide Attempt	1	0
110A	Civil Matter	1	0
110B	Neighbor Dispute/Non-Criminal	16	0
111A	Missing Person	25	0
112A	Auto-Illegally Parked	47	0
112D	Abandoned Vehicle	13	0
113A	MVA/Property Damage Under \$1000	84	0
113B	MVA/Property Damage Over \$1000	77	0
113C	MVA/PI	40	0
113E	MVA/Pedestrian	4	0
113F	MVA/Bicycle	7	0
113H	MVA/Uninvestigated	20	0
113I	Hit/Run Injury	4	0
113J	Hit Run/Property Damage	43	0
120A	Defective Equipment	1	0
120D	LV. Scene Prop. Damage	2	0
120G	Oper. Under the Influence	98	0
120J	Lic. Revoked/Suspended	37	0
120L	Unregistered M.V.	50	0
120N	Motor Vehicle Violation (Other)	70	0
130A	Arrest/Warrant (SWA PD Warrant)	6	0
130B	Arrest Warrant (Other PD Warrant)	63	0
130C	Arrest/SWA. Warrant by Other PD	9	0
130E	Fugitive From Justice Arrest	1	0
130F	Protective Custody	60	0
133A	Possessing Alcohol/Town Property	1	0
139A	Bomb Scare	8	0
142A	Forgery	2	0
142B	Littering	2	0
142O	Counterfeit Money/Documents Etc	2	0
144A	Dist. the Peace/Disord. Person	8	0

144B	Fireworks Complaint	26	0
144C	Disturbance/General	209	0
144D	Loud Party	53	0
145O	Firearm Comp. (No Assault)	3	0
146A	Violating Restraining Order	2	0
146B	Threats/Gestures	10	0
146C	Domestic	78	0
148A	Drugs-Possession	1	0
150A	Dumping/Littering	4	0
154A	Defrauding Common Vict./Innkeeper	1	0
154B	Evading Taxi Fare	1	0
154O	Frauds/Obtaining Money Falsely	2	0
156O	Fish and Game Complaints	1	0
162A	Minor in Poss. of Liquor	10	0
164A	Vandalism to MV.	86	0
164B	Vandalism (Other)	85	0
164C	Vandalism to Town Property	36	0
164O	Malicious Misch.	23	0
166A	Poss. Burg Tools	1	0
166O	Poss. Burg Tools	1	0
170B	Indecent Exposure	9	0
170C	Peeping Tom	1	0
172A	Tel. Calls-Annoy/Threat/Obscene	37	0
176A	Trespass After Notice	5	0
200A	Serving Court Papers	1	0
888	Quick Clear/No Report Required.	48	0
900C	Fire/Single Family Dwelling	14	0
901C	Fire/Multi-Family Dwelling	5	0
904C	Fire/Commercial Building	3	0
906C	Fire/Other Building	4	0
907A	Arson/Mot. Veh/In Use	1	0
907C	Fire/Motor Vehicle	10	0
908C	Fire/Other Mobile	2	0
909C	Fire/Brush-Woods-Fences-Signs Etc	11	0
910B	Fire/Food on the Stove	1	0
911A	Assault/Citizen/Simple	2	0
911B	Assault/Domestic/Simple	2	0
913A	A&B/Citizen/Simple	31	0
913B	A&B/Domestic/Simple	2	0
913D	A&B/P.O./Simple	3	0
914A	A&B/Cit/Ag. Injury	3	0
914D	A&B/P.O./Ag. Injury	1	0
915B	ABDW/Cit/Cut. Instrument	1	0
915C	ABDW/Cit/Other Weapon	1	0
916B	ADW/Cit/Cut. Instrument	4	0
920A	B&E/D/Veh/Forced	4	0
920B	B&E/N/Veh/Forced	21	0
920E	B&E/D/Vehicle/No Force	6	0
920F	B&E/N/Vehicle/No Force	14	0
921A	B&E/D/Attempt/Build	2	0
921B	B&E/D/Build/Forced	1	0
921C	B&E/D/Build/Unlawful Entry	1	0
921D	B&E/N/Attempt/Build	2	0
921E	B&E/N/Build/Force Entry	9	0



921G	B&E/Unk/Attempt/Build	1	0
921J	B&E/Unk/Build/Unlawful Entry	2	0
922A	B&E/D/Attempt/Residence	6	0
922B	B&E/D/Resid/Force Entry	17	0
922C	B&E/D/Resid/Unlaw. Entry	3	0
922E	B&E/N/Residence/Forced	19	0
922F	Burg/N/Unlaw. Entry	1	0
922H	Burg/N/Aslt/Unlaw. Entry	1	0
922K	Burg/N/Armed/Unlaw. Entry	1	0
922L	B&E/Unk/Resid/Attempt	3	0
922M	B&E/Unk/Resid/Force Entry	3	0
922N	B&E/Unk/Resid/Unlawful Entry	2	0
923D	B&E/N/Attempt/School	1	0
923F	B&E/N/School/Unlaw. Entry	3	0
924D	B&E/N/Other/Attempt	2	0
924F	B&E/N/Other/Unlaw. Entry	1	0
924G	B&E/Unk/Other/Attempt	1	0
930A	Lar/Pick-P/Under \$50	3	0
930B	Lar/Pick-P/\$50-\$200	3	0
930C	Lar/Pick-P/\$200-\$400	2	0
930D	Lar/Pick-P/\$400+	7	0
930E	Lar/Pursesnatch/Und \$50	2	0
930F	Lar/Pursesnatch/\$50-\$200	3	0
930G	Lar/Pursesnatch/\$200-\$400	1	0
930H	Lar/Pursesnatch/\$400+	1	0
930J	Lar/Shoplift/Und \$50	32	0
930K	Lar/Shoplift/\$50-\$200	26	0
930L	Lar/Shoplift/\$200-\$400	6	0
930M	Lar/Shoplift/\$400+	4	0
930N	Lar/Frm-Veh/Und \$50	7	0
930O	Lar/Frm-Veh/\$50-\$200	4	0
930P	Lar/Frm-Veh/\$200-\$400	9	0
930Q	Lar/Frm-Veh/\$400+	16	0
930R	Lar/Autoparts/Und \$50	1	0
930S	Lar/Autoparts/\$50-\$200	2	0
930T	Lar/Autoparts/\$200-\$400	3	0
930U	Lar/Autoparts/\$400+	3	0
930V	Stolen License Plate	24	0
931B	Lar/Bike/\$50-\$200	25	0
931C	Lar/Bike/\$200-\$400	19	0
931D	Lar/Bike/\$400+	15	0
931E	Lar/Frm Build/Under \$50	7	0
931F	Lar/Frm Build/\$50-\$200	5	0
931G	Lar/Frm Build/\$200-\$400	10	0
931H	Lar/Frm Build/\$400+	17	0
931L	Lar/Frm Coin Mach/\$200-\$400	3	0
931N	Lar/Gas-No Pay/Und \$50	1	0
931T	Lar/Other/Under \$50	16	0
931U	Lar/Other/\$50-\$200	18	0
931V	Lar/Other/\$200-\$400	3	0
931W	Lar/Other/\$400+	11	0
932B	Lar/By Check/\$50-\$200	1	0
932C	Lar/By Check/\$200-\$400	1	0
932D	Lar/By Check/\$400+	2	0

935A	Lar/M.V./Auto	33	0
935B	Lar/M.V./Trucks, Buses, Etc.	4	0
935C	Lar/M.V./Other	2	0
936A	Stol/Rec. Local/Autos	10	0
936B	Stol/Rec. Local/Trk, Bus, Etc.	2	0
936D	Stol. Loc/Rec. D.T./Auto	21	0
936F	Stol. Loc/Rec. D.T./Other	6	0
936G	Stol. OT/Rec. Loc./Auto	9	0
936H	Stol. OT/Rec. Loc./Trk, Bus, Etc.	1	0
960A	Rob/Hgwy/Gun	1	0
960D	Rob/Commercial/Gun	2	0
960H	Rob/Gas Sta/Knife	1	0
961B	Unarmed Rob/Commercial	1	0
961C	Unarmed Rob/Gas Station	1	0
961G	Unarmed Rob/Misc	2	0
9990	Mistake/Disregard Case	2	0
9999	Case Already Entered/Mistake	2	0
****	Unidentified Class Codes	11	0
Total number of Calls Listed		6,040	0

## Recommendations

I recommend that the Town replace the worn out floor covering on the main floor at the police station. I urge the Town to purchase protective vests (bullet proof) for use by the police officers.

## Appreciation

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, Paula Maguire, The Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police, Patt George, Selectmen's Secretary, The School Traffic Supervisors, Eugene Nigrelli and Steven Levine, Finance Committee Liason Members to the Police Department and especially to the men and woman of the Police Department. I would also like to extend my thanks to all other Town Departments and others who have helped and cooperated with this department throughout the year.

# Parking Commissioner's Report

October 1, 1990 — December 31, 1990

## Quarterly Report

Number of Tickets Cleared .....	1204
Quarterly Collected .....	\$12,035.00
Quarterly Collected From Archived Violations ...	\$4,585.00
Quarterly Expenses .....	\$488.09

## Year to Date

Number of Tickets Cleared .....	2028
Total Collected to Date .....	\$22,730.00
Total Collected From Archived Violations .....	\$6,455.00
Total Expenses to Date .....	\$827.59

Very truly yours,

John B. Bolduc

## Board of Public Works

David L. Phillips, Chairman

Kevin G. Gookin

Daniel P. Kelly

Alan F. Taubert, P.E., P.L.S.

Superintendent of Public Works

Town Engineer

The Board of Public Works is pleased to report that the largest public works project in the history of the Town of Swampscott is under way. The Board is also pleased to report that it has been successful in securing a commitment from the State to provide financing for the project. This good fortune will have a favorable impact upon the Town's cost of wastewater treatment well into the future. The intermunicipal agreement with Nahant, Saugus, and the Lynn Water and Sewer Commission has been signed and work is progressing.

The construction contracts for the pipeline to Lynn and the conversion of the treatment plant to a pumping station were awarded and work began during December.

The engineering contract for the storm water separation project in Lynn necessary to provide capacity for Swampscott's flow was signed and is progressing on schedule. The construction contracts are scheduled to begin during 1991.

Two contracts for sewer system rehabilitation and sewer sealing have been awarded for work in Swampscott. These projects will reduce our sewage flow and lower our pumping and treatment costs. The Town has received a 75% State grant of \$1,211,019 to help fund the contracts.

The Town has also received a 75% State grant of \$207,000 to conduct detailed studies of the location and sources of uncontaminated water entering our sewer system. The work will begin in the Spring and will include the inspection of 2500 properties. Contracts will then be prepared to provide for the elimination of this clean water to further reduce our treatment costs.

A state grant of \$105,660 has been received for the completion of the 16 inch water line in Paradise Road from Farragut Road to the water tank on Plymouth Lane. The engineering work will be performed this winter with construction to take place during late summer and the fall. The State grant combined with the \$161,000 approved by the Town in 1988 will fund the project.

A new service requests system was begun in August to provide for more efficient control of the Department's resources and for improved accountability. For the 5 month period from August to January the following requests were received and completed:

Forestry — 280 requests for service. Half have been completed. The remaining will be completed with a rented bucket truck during January and February.

Water — 140 requests completed. Typical requests include stopped meters, dirty water requiring flushing, hydrant repairs, valve repairs, leaks, low pressure, quality testing, and pumping station maintenance.

Highway — 315 requests completed. Examples are pot holes, street sweeping, railings and gates, horses for holiday parties, painting, litter control, pier and beach maintenance, Fish House maintenance, sidewalk repairs, curbing repairs, and brush cutting.

Motor Pool — 58 requests for major work such as brake jobs and installing sanders. Minor work on items such as lawn mowers



and chain saws are not included in the request program but comprise a major work load.

Sewer and Drainage — 65 requests completed that include manhole and catch basin repairs, collapsed pipe repairs, plugged drains, brook cleaning, and sewer backups. When not on emergency calls the Sewer Division flushes, vacuums, and cleans sewers, drains and catch basins on a preventative maintenance program.

Signs — 62 requests completed. Includes traffic control, streets, warning and safety signs.

The following divisions provide routine services and have small numbers of external service requests.

Park Division — Maintained all of the Town's parks, playgrounds, malls, ball fields and two (2) miles of beaches.

Cemetery Division — Maintained the Town's cemetery including 98 interments, grass cutting, 48 foundations, bush trimming and operates and maintains the sewage sludge composting operation located behind the cemetery.

Engineering — The Engineering Division began a comprehensive evaluation of sidewalks and streets in the town. An infrastructure management program will be developed to assure that work is done in accordance with use and condition.

The following major projects were completed:

1. Resurfaced the following streets:

Sampson Avenue  
Curry Circle  
Porter Place

Elmwood Road  
Palmer Avenue

2. Repaired 500 feet of concrete sidewalks.
3. Installed the inclinometers on the Essex Street bridge retaining wall.
4. Completed repairs of the King's Beach seawall.

5. Flushed, tested and winterized all 500 of the Town's hydrants.
6. Continued working on the regional leaf composting facility.
7. Collected an estimated 600 tons of leaves.
8. Painted Blocksidge Stadium and the railings along the Town's beaches.
9. Installed a drainage system in Phillips Park to alleviate the flooding of the baseball fields and the track.
10. Obtained state approval of a backflow prevention program for protection of our water system. Building surveys will be performed by the Water Division personnel this winter.
11. Began a comprehensive sewer and drain cleaning program.
12. Sealed cracks on the following streets.
  - Sampson Avenue
  - Jessie Street
  - Roy Street
  - Curry Circle
  - Porter Place
  - Elmwood Road
  - Palmer Road
  - Monument Avenue
13. Joined a regional purchasing consortium for water and sewage treatment supplies estimated to save approximately \$12,000 a year in chemical costs.

The office staff continues to prepare water and sewer billing information, payrolls, purchases, abatements, communication, and provide customer service.

# Tree Warden

James L. Gardiner, Tree Warden  
Gene N. Gardiner, Deputy Tree Warden

Removed twenty (20) to thirty (30) diseased and hazardous trees in Town and stumps.

Pruned trees when necessary.

Planted thirty-five (35) to forty (40) trees including Norway Maples, Red Maples, Crimson Kings, Bradford Pears and Kwansan Cherry.

Planted five hundred (500) seedlings for Arbor Day. Town supplied these seedlings and the fourth and fifth graders of the Machon, Clarke, Hadley and Stanley Schools planted them.

Shaved roots that were potentially hazardous to pedestrians.

Posted tree hearing notices for trees to be removed.

Sprayed Hawthornes for Hawthorne Blite disease.

Sprayed to eliminate poison ivy.

Hired a skyworker for two months for pruning and large branch removal.

Many trees were lost due to storm damage. Several were also lost due to damage caused by vehicles hitting them.

Tree surgery and bark tracing are performed on those trees struck by vehicles.

The Tree Warden and Deputy Tree Warden are members of the Massachusetts Tree Wardens' and Foresters' Association.

# Recreation Commission

Andrew B. Holmes, Chairman

Marie J. Clarke

Richard Dedrick

Sylvia L. Stamell

Sherman Freedman

Bernard O. Bloom

John J. Hughes, Jr.

William J. Bush, Coordinator

With the policy of the Recreation Commission to provide worthwhile leisuretime activities for all age groups in the community, we continue to improve the programs sponsored directly by the Commission, which include: parking areas, beaches and lifeguards, adult and youth tennis, gymnastics, teen fitness and conditioning, youth and adult sailing, track and field, youth and adult basketball, and playground activities.

We still provide beach and railroad street parking stickers for a fee.

To minimize costs, we increased some fees for programs, and the total collected and turned in to the Town General Funds was \$21,660 during the past fiscal year.

This year the sailing program was increased by 56 percent due to a newly formed sailing committee. The playground program increased 29 percent in 1990.

We are also working closely with the Department of Public Works in the upkeep, rehabilitation and use of the parks in the Town.

The Commission wishes to thank the Board of Public Works and their staff for the maintenance of equipment, and the Commission also wishes to thank the School Administration for the use of school facilities and the personnel needed to conduct our programs.



# Superintendent of Schools

To the members of the Swampscott School Committee and the citizens of Swampscott.

I am both duty bound and gratified, as the Chief Executive Officer of the School System and Secretary to the Swampscott School Committee, to present the 1990 Annual Report. This annual "State of the School System" is a document which contains a compilation of the myriad of events and activities that reflect an undiminished commitment on the part of both the professional and support personnel of all our schools to the never-ending pursuit of designing and implementing quality instructional programs. Nonetheless, I would be remiss if I did not state that the fiscal situation at both the federal and state levels has resulted in severe "cuts" that has led to a dismantling of various programs. Our heritage is one of excellence but excellence cannot be maintained by desire alone; an infusion of additional monies is vital if we are to provide our youth with the knowledge and skills required as they assume the roles of adult citizen and worker in the 21st century.

## School Committee 1990

Mrs. Sandra Rotner, Chairperson	21 Gale Road
Mr. Robert Ingram, Vice Chairperson	33 Magnolia Road
Mr. Kevin Breen	47 Paradise Road
Mr. Richard Feinberg	12 Bradlee Avenue
Dr. Mary-Lou B. Sherr	39 Blaney Street

Regular meetings, second and fourth Tuesday of each month.  
The public is welcome.

## Central Office Administration

Richard K. Chrystal, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools	596-8800
Jacqueline Blanchard, Director of Business and Personnel Administration	596-8802
Richard Coletti, Director of Plant and Maintenance	596-8802
Deborah Norling, Director of Pupil Personnel Services	596-8805

The Office of the Superintendent of Schools, located at Swampscott High School, 207 Forest Avenue, is open each weekday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### School Administration Principals

Peter Sack	High School	596-8830
Ronald Landman	Middle School	596-8820
Richard Baker	Clarke School Director of Physical Education, Health, and Athletics K-12	596-8812
Margaret Griffin	Hadley School Director of Learning/ Language Arts	596-8847
Sheridan Matthiesen	Machon School Director of Learning/ Educational Technology K-6 and Mathematics K-6	596-8835
Martha Cesarz	Stanley School Director of Learning/ Science K-6	596-8837

### Curriculum Planning Team Department Chairs

Paul Athanas	Practical Arts	7-12
Donald Babcock	English	7-12
Joseph Balsama	Science	7-12
Clayton Curtis	Fine Arts	K-12
Carl Jack	Mathematics	7-12
John McDevitt	Guidance	K-12
John Nolan	World Languages	7-12
Sanders Stephen	Social Studies	7-12

## **The Nation's Education Goals: Working Together for America's Future**

The goals listed below were adopted by President George Bush and all 50 of the nation's governors in 1990. These goals are not the President's goals or the Governors' goals; they are the nation's goals.

These educational goals are the beginning, not the end, of the process. Governors are committed to working within their own states to review state education goals and performance levels in light of these national goals. States are encouraged to adjust, modify, and expand upon the national goals where appropriate. The President and the Governors have challenged every family, school system, School Board or Committee, educator and community to adopt these national goals as their own and establish other goals that reflect the particular circumstances and challenges they face as America approaches the twenty-first century.

Readiness for School. By the year 2000, all children in America will start school ready to learn.

School Completion. By the year 2000, the high school graduation rate will increase to at least 90 per cent.

Achievement and Citizenship. By the year 2000, American schools will graduate grades four, eight, and twelve having demonstrated competency in challenging subjects including English, Mathematics, Science, History, and Geography; and every school in America will insure that all students learn to use their minds well, so they may be prepared for responsible citizenship, further learning, and productive employment in our modern economy.

Science and Mathematics. By the year 2000, United States students will be first in the world in science and mathematics achievement.

Safe, Disciplined, and Drug-Free Schools. By the year 2000, every school in America will be free of drugs and violence and will offer a disciplined environment conducive to learning. Adult Literacy and Lifelong Learning. By the year 2000, every adult American will be literate and will possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in a global economy and exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

## **The Goals of the Swampscott Public Schools**

As Superintendent of Schools I am proud to inform the citizenry of Swampscott that the staff of our school system wrote goals for our schools and had them validated by School Committee acceptance in September of 1987. The purpose of this effort to state projected goals and programs for the Swampscott Public Schools was, and continues to be, to provide a blueprint for orderly change in an era where those who stand still go backwards. In our immediate present, our unstable today, hope is alive as we update our five-year plan annually. A plan that identifies the tasks to be accomplished in order that the student graduating in 1996 receives what he/she needs to know and what he/she will want to know in that year and the years thereafter.

Goals are essential to the process of education. They provide ideals. They provide ideals toward which learners and educators strive as well as a context for learning and a sense of purpose. They are indispensable for measuring what the process of education does to, for, and with all students. Members of the community who wish to acquire a copy of the Philosophy of the Swampscott School Committee and the goals of the school system may do so by calling the Office of the Superintendent of Schools and requesting same.

### **The Philosophy of the Swampscott School Committee**

Today more than ever the public school is recognized as one of the most important institutions in the United States devoted to the total development of human potential. The learning program within the school must be efficient and effective. It calls for the transmission and utilization of knowledge, skills, talents, and attitudes which will enable students to develop to their full potential as individuals.

To accept a truthful assessment of themselves, their hopes, their ambitions and the world around them, students are encouraged and directed to study and research independently, to think logically, and to communicate ideas meaningfully. Students are guided in their interpretation of the modern world by an appreciation of their democratic heritage and thus be discerning in their choice of competent leadership and as a result become intelligent participants in their communities and vocations. Moral, ethical, and aesthetic values are exemplified as indispensable guides to richer and more rewarding living. Fundamental to this process is the conviction that every student must be regarded as an individual worthy of each educator's sincere interest, best efforts, and respect.



## Practices and Procedures to Attain System Objectives

- A required program of study and school-directed experiences for all students, developed through school and community participation, which emphasizes the fundamental and broader aspects of a sound education.
- The provision of varying levels of challenge in basic subject fields to encourage students to be motivated to work successfully at their levels of ability.
- A flexible curriculum from kindergarten through grade 12 which will provide students with a sound education, based upon recognition of their individual abilities, needs, and goals.
- A guidance program for all students at all levels which, through counseling and testing, helps students adjust to their environment, develop their potentials, and utilize their interests and abilities to meet personal needs and goals; efforts to help students adjust to physical, emotional, or social problems, to take career consideration into account at the appropriate levels, and to select programs of studies and activities which will lead to the ultimate realization of career choices.
- The preparation, development, and encouragement of all students to become independent, self-directed learners participating in independent study and research and, utilizing all communications media; emphasis on stimulation and guidance of self-paced learning which will lead to the emergence of individual citizens capable of thinking critically, making sound judgments, and becoming productive and effective members of a democratic society.
- A program of enriching experiences, both cocurricular and extracurricular, to help students with personal, physical, mental, and social development, as well as to guide them in the wise use of leisure time.

Since school reflects the needs, values, strengths, and aspirations of the community, it follows that the school and the home should work together to further develop those personal characteristics which will lead to a better individual and community life for all its citizens. Therefore, a continuing dialogue among community, home, and school should be maintained to the end that all of the children of all of the people will be given the opportunity to develop, thoughtfully assess, and appropriately adjust to the needs of a changing society.

## Staff Changes

Listed below are personnel changes that occurred during the year 1990. Again, as in the past, changes in personnel according to school assignment will be noted.

"New" members of the staff join the Swampscott family of educators through a series of orientation programs. They begin what will be for all, hopefully, a long and mutually collegial relationship. To those who have left the system by way of either retirement or resignation a sincere thanks is extended for their many contributions to the youth of Swampscott and we wish them well in their future endeavors.

### CENTRAL OFFICE

#### Appointment:

Michele Schultz, Secretary in Office of the Superintendent

#### Resignation:

JoAnn Bishop, Cafeteria Director

### HIGH SCHOOL

#### Appointments:

Donald Babcock, English Department Chair

Jon Flanagan, Social Studies

Frank Grasso, Custodian

Frank Grasso, Jr., Custodian

Lorraine Hodin, Social Studies

Adam Locke, Custodian

Patricia Maitland, Instructional Aide

Sanders Stephen, Social Studies Department Chair

#### Reappointment:

Linda Portnoy, Business/Computer

#### Resignations:

Richard Baldacci, Art

Christopher Ratley, Math/Science

#### Leave of Absence:

Ann McGuiggin, Business

#### Retirement:

Cynthia Lang, Secretary

Harvey Michaels, Social Studies Department Chair

Transfer:

Lawrence Lucie, Custodian (to Middle School)

Deceased:

Michael Spencer, Social Studies

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Appointments:

Lucille Cafarella, French - Part-time

Kathleen Canavan, Instructional Aide

Lawrence Lucie, Junior Custodian to Senior Custodian

Anna Marie Mancini, French/Spanish

Resignations:

Nilgun Akdag, Math

Monica Caporale, Special Education Instructional Aide

Suzanne Garfield, Foreign Language

Retirements:

Ronald Cameron, Senior Custodian

Carol Dedrick, Secretary

CLARKE SCHOOL

Appointments:

Pamela Angelakis, Instructional Aide

Lisa Barry, Resource Room Aide

Cindy Crawford, Special Needs PreSchool Aide

Jennifer Duncklee, Instructional Aide

Suzanne Feeley, Instructional Aide

Gayle Greenbaum, Early Childhood Aide

Ann McFarland, Special Needs PreSchool Aide

Roberta McGowen, Early Childhood Aide

James Montanari, Instructional Aide

Michelle Zampell, Instructional Aide

Resignations:

Jennifer Duncklee, Instructional Aide

Ann Hannaher, Special Needs PreSchool Aide

Kathy Holahan, Extended Day Care Aide

Jody Moscaritolo, Special Education Instructional Aide

Transfers:

Arlene Rosen, Kindergarten - from Machon School

## MACHON SCHOOL

### Appointments:

Pamela Angelakis, Grade Two - Long-Term Substitute  
Ann Bush, Grade Four Teacher  
Michael Carberry, Junior Building Custodian  
Brenda Cassidy, Extended Day Coordinator  
Pamela Cleveland, Chapter 1 Tutor  
Cindy Crawford, Associate Teacher Extended Day  
Paula Gray, Instructional Aide  
Eugene Haskell, Jr., Building Custodian  
Barbara Immar, Grade One Teacher  
Barbara Leone, Instructional Aide  
Ted Sperounis, Guidance Counselor

### Retirement:

Selma Sklar, Grade Two Teacher

### Resignations:

Arthur James George, Junior Building Custodian  
Bonnie Prout, Chapter 1 Tutor

## HADLEY SCHOOL

### Appointments:

Mary Clain, Extended Day Coordinator  
Stephanie Concannon, Kindergarten, part-time. Also Associate Teacher Extended Day  
Lee Dineen, Instructional Aide  
Ruth Hendrickson, Instructional Aide  
Ronald Mitchell, Junior Building Custodian  
Emily Sperounis, Grade Five Teacher  
John Tofuri, Junior Building Custodian

### Retirement:

Fletcher Johnson, Physical Education

## STANLEY SCHOOL

### Resignations:

Margaret DeCamp, Special Education Instructional Aide  
Margaret Johnston, Grade One Teacher  
Allison Shifres, Instructional Aide

### Transfers:

Margaret Danahy, Reading - from Machon School



## SUBJECT SPECIALISTS - SYSTEM

### Appointments:

Ann Bowen, Art  
Francine Goldstein, Reading Coordinator K-12  
Martha Kelleher, Dance Movement  
Nancy Tumarkin, Music

### Resignations:

Cynthia Smith Coffin, Art  
Stephanie Longfritz, Art  
Laurie Peckins, Music

## SYSTEM-WIDE SUPPORT STAFF

### Appointments:

Frantz Kerbreau, Van Driver  
David Legere, Assistant Athletic Director  
Maria Lincoln, Van Driver  
Dulcinea MacCarthy, ESL Tutor  
Jean Massad, Trainer  
Janice O'Connell, Part-time Cafeteria  
Deborah Palmer, Part-time Cafeteria  
Janet Picariello, Part-time Cafeteria  
Josephine Racki, Part-time Cafeteria

### Resignations:

Joanne Gallant, Cafeteria Worker  
Frantz Kebreau, Van Driver  
Maria Lincoln, Courier  
Katherine Shinay, Assistant Athletic Director

### Retirements:

Lois Donahue, Cafeteria  
David Dragan, Elementary Guidance

### Leave of Absence:

Cindy Miller Katz, Speech Pathologist

## The Swampscott Learning System and Project BESST

Approximately a year and a half ago I presented to the School Committee a projection of what programs may be enhanced and offered in order that our graduates would have the requisite skills and knowledge to meet the challenges they will confront as they commence to assume their roles as citizens and workers in the 21st century.

The plan was and remains entitled Project BESST (Building Excellent Swampscott Schools Together) The development of this five-year plan was necessitated by the awareness that major forces are driving our society and, therefore, our schools rapidly into uncharted waters. These forces or trends include:

- The changing work force
- The technological environment
- Globalization
- The changing family
- The age of convenience
- Changes in school leadership
- The changing nature of who we are
- The increasing popularity of alternatives
- Educators of tomorrow
- An increase in the kind of ethical and value questions being posed

In addition to these forces educators continually focus on four fundamental questions concerning curriculum and instruction that were originally formulated by Dr. Ralph Tyler. They are:

1. What educational purposes should the school seek to attain?
2. What educational experiences can be provided that are likely to attain these purposes?
3. How can these educational experiences be effectively organized?
4. How can we determine whether these purposes are being attained?

Recognition that this is a period of economic and fiscal austerity cannot dissuade us from the responsibility of answering these questions and to do so by constructing and activating programs and systems that give to our clients quality instructional programs.

Of what programs do I speak? Consider the effect of the forces I referenced earlier. Our labor force will be more highly educated than ever. Interpersonal skills will be more important. Information workers will need higher level thinking skills. Technological literacy will be necessary for all students. Students will have to be equipped with transferrable skills. Adult retraining programs will proliferate. It will become more difficult for educators to remain current in their field. Voice activation will require new speaking skills. The amount of handwriting and keyboarding in our schools will change. Teaching techniques will be reshaped. Computers will play a more active role in drill and practice. The number of foreign languages will expand to include Russian, Chinese, Japanese, and Arabic. The curriculum will focus on global issues. Interdisciplinary programs will expand. Family Life Education will grow. Current definition of homework will change. Extended day programs will be introduced. Schools will consider a new time cycle. School schedules will change. The current model of after-school activities will be restructured. Educator accountability will be demanded by parents. The management of classroom time will be altered. Career ladder concepts will gain in popularity. Traditional labor organizations will change. Our delivery of English as a Second Language will be altered. We will need to meet the needs of an ever culturally divergent student body. The elderly will demand a significantly larger proportion of society's resources. We will need to reexamine our curriculum offerings in light of competition from a voucher system. We will begin to seriously question the school's obligation in teaching conflicting values and ethics: if it is to be done, and if so, how should it be done.

These are powerful trends and they have led to demands to restructure the educational system. The National Governors Association adopted restructuring as its educational agenda for the 1990's. This call to restructure is a direct result of the increasing recognition that graduates of American high schools lack the requisite skills to compete with their counterparts in such countries as Japan and Germany. Needless to say governors are astute politicians; they do not stand alone. They are responding to a growing consensus calling for improvements in the efficiency and productivity of schools, in tune with massive restructuring in business, industry, and agriculture and with rapid demographic and social changes.

Imbedded in the many approaches to restructuring is the concept of school-based management. As one who supports this concept as exemplified in Project BESST (Building Excellent Swampscott Schools Together), I continue to work with administrative and teaching staff to actualize processes and activities that will nurture teacher

empowerment and shared decision-making, not with any sense of revolutionary immediacy but planned, intervening strategies that will guarantee a quality instructional program.

Many educators may be understandably wary, having been criticized on the one hand for being impervious to change and accused, on the other, of jumping on every bandwagon. Yet we should rejoice at this turn away from the stifling regulatory bureaucratic nature of earlier reform measures. We should welcome the freedom to change that is implicit in the SBM model. SBM is grassroots restructuring, a bottom-up approach that depends on the support of individual school councils by their adoption of reform ideas. SBM philosophy fits the considerable volume of educational literature on the change process. We know how to improve our schools. Our school system is one of outstanding repute. However, as I have quoted on more than one occasion, "To do better is better than doing one's best." SBM, our Project BESST, is the vehicle that will assist us in our journey to improve and to grow.

In January, 1991 I will direct all administrators to submit a five-year plan for their respective school or area of responsibility. Their plans will include: clearly stated goals; the principalship as a strong leadership position; staff empowerment; high expectations identified and maintained; student progress monitored; identification of the learning styles of students; intervention programs that can be activated to prevent a student from "dropping out;" school climate conducive to learning maintained; academic learning time increased; curriculum revised every five years as standard procedure; parent-community involvement a norm.

Three years have passed since the Swampscott Learning System was formulated. The eleven components of this learning system are:

- Mission Statement
- Goals Rationale
- Comprehensive Concepts
- Performance Objectives
- Diagnostic Procedures and Evaluative Techniques
- Learning Activities
- Models of Teaching
- Multimedia/Sophisticated Technology
- Classroom Management
- Learning Environment



This year witnessed the introduction of an accountability component through utilization of a management-by-objectives process. Specific objectives achieved included the inclusion of staff in curriculum development teams, the revision of the Science Curriculum K-6, development of the Computer Curriculum through the efforts of the Educational Technology Committee, the revision of the Language Arts Curriculum, and the expansion of professional growth programs. All of these objectives, which were identified as priority objectives by the Superintendent of Schools, were achieved through the efforts of a dedicated and hard working professional staff. It should be noted that new textbooks were purchased to correlate with the new curriculum.

Some specific objectives of the Superintendent of Schools for the School Year 1990-1991 are:

- Revision of the Mathematics Curriculum K-6

- Revision of the Music Curriculum K-12

- Revision of the Art Curriculum K-12

- Development of Curriculum (selected areas) 7-12

- Continued Efforts for the Full Implementation of the Middle School Concept

- Expansion of Professional Growth Programs

- Continued Efforts to Actualize Site-Based Management

Two other objectives that must be achieved involve what will require a collaborative effort on the part of all professional staff and many community members. They are: 1) increased community involvement and participatory decision-making in decisions affecting the schools and 2) a fully operational, collegial, clinical supervision program for the evaluation of both professional and nonprofessional staff. It continues to be my desire that the hallmark of my Superintendency be inclusion of all the stakeholders for the purpose of effectuating and maintaining a personalized self-learning environment for learners of all ages. These two objectives, when achieved, will be the capstones of an effective school system.

If we as educators create a community of scholars, a community of intellectual challenge and stimulation, then we will have constructed an edifice recognized by all as a citadel for learning. I challenge those who claim that this period of retrogression, retreat, and reduction is not the best of times for visions and dreams. Let others "down size." My world is one of hope and optimism. We as educators cannot wait for better times because we work with the future every day. We must give to our youth that which they deserve.

## Highlights

Major efforts undertaken by the Central Office Administration and/or School Principals, collectively referred to as the Superintendency Team, included:

- The Superintendent of Schools continued his effort to foster curriculum development and revision and to improve the quality of instructional services. As a result, 59 teachers and administrators worked in a series of summer workshops during the months of June, July, and August. These workshops enabled the practitioners to develop curriculum in English for grades 7-12, and interdisciplinary programs in English and Social Studies 7-12. In addition, Science activities were developed and compiled within a booklet for use in grades K-6. Teachers representing all elementary schools undertook the development of a Language Arts Curriculum in all skill areas for grades K-6. Furthermore, two workshops for teachers of Mathematics grades 7-12 revised several Mathematics courses.
- A workshop presented by Dr. Robert Gower of the University of Lowell, Massachusetts on effective teaching and coaching successfully involved in excess of 30 administrators and teachers in interactive participation to analyze the skills teachers currently possess, or can acquire, to improve the achievement of students. The workshop clearly demonstrated and reinforced the belief that a teacher's skill makes a difference in the performance of students.
- A Gold Card Club for senior citizens was inaugurated. Senior members of the community were provided with a gold card which enabled them to attend all school-related functions at no cost.
- Swampscott High School was evaluated by a visiting committee from the Commission on Public Secondary Schools on October 14-17, 1990. The visiting committee was composed of colleagues from other schools. The purpose of the committee was to assist Swampscott High School in its efforts of self assessment which leads to the analysis of data gathered resulting in improved instructional programs provided for students.
- Mrs. Martha Cesarz, Principal and Director of Learning, as one of her primary responsibilities as chairman of the Science Curriculum Committee K-6, worked with elementary teachers in the development of a comprehensive inquiry-based science

curriculum for grades K- 6. The curriculum was completed in July. It was implemented in September for the purpose of "field testing." A concomitant effort led to the development of science activities correlated with the curriculum, staff development activities for teaching staff, high school instructors providing in-service activities for elementary school teachers, and high school students serving in a tutorial role with elementary students.

- As the administrator responsible for the coordination of the Language Arts Curriculum K-6, Ms. Margaret Griffin energetically assumed the chairmanship of the Language Arts Committee K-6. Under her direction elementary school teachers created a "state of the art" Language Arts Curriculum K-6. It has been recognized as a model program and is being requested by other school systems. The teachers working with her are to be commended for their diligence and expertise. An additional responsibility which Ms. Griffin assumed was that of "demonstration teacher." Voluntarily she has visited all elementary schools and worked with teachers as a "coach" providing staff with new strategies in the teaching of Language Arts.
- Mr. Ronald Landman, Principal of Swampscott Middle School, undertook the goal of creating a student-centered learning environment within the Middle School. Establishing such a climate necessitated a new organizational structure. The elimination of levelling, tracking, development of interdisciplinary teaching teams, block scheduling, team time, introduction of intramural programs, and inclusion of exploratory activities are but a few of the ingredients required of the Middle School Concept. It is anticipated that the School Committee will approve the move of the present fifth grade students to the Middle School for September, 1991. We recognize that change is unsettling for some individuals and that it is a lengthy process. Therefore, the Superintendent of Schools and Mr. Landman will be presenting a long-range plan containing a step-by-step approach to guarantee success for all middle school students. The schedule calls for the plan to be presented to the School Committee in January, 1991.
- An Educational Technology Committee chaired by Mrs. Sheridan Matthiesen, Principal/Director of Learning, presented to the School Committee on May 15, 1990 a document which included the philosophy of education of the Educational Technology Committee; goals, expectations, and implications for the years



1990-1993; information concerning hardware/software; a recommended copyright policy (accepted and approved by the Swampscott School Committee as official system policy after the "legal" two public readings); implications for staffing and report cards as well as an inventory of computer hardware and software presently within the school system. Once again the teaching staff of the "Swampscott" Public Schools must be commanded for this and many other efforts. This task, like so many, has been undertaken and completed on a voluntary basis by staff on their own time and without remuneration.

- Mr. Richard Baker, Principal/Director of Learning/Director of Physical Education, Health and Athletics was the architect of the Swampscott Public Schools Extended Day Program in the Swampscott Schools. The model developed at the Clarke Elementary School was duplicated at the Machon and Hadley Elementary Schools this year and will be introduced at the Stanley Elementary School in September, 1991. In addition, Mr. Baker continues to nurture programs such as dance movement, drug awareness, high school peer leaders, Project Charlie, and the annual Jump Rope-a-Thon.
- A major effort was undertaken this year to provide the community with any and all information concerning the budget building process, and in particular how resources are allocated. Mrs. Jacqueline Blanchard, Director of Personnel and Business Administration, in close cooperation with the Superintendent of Schools, engaged in a mutually collaborative and beneficial relationship with the Town Finance Committee. All information was provided members of the Finance Committee in order to assist them in their deliberations pertaining to the School Committee Budget. Mr. Gerard Perry, chairman, richly deserves commendation for his objective approach in working with members of the school system. It is also to be noted that for the first time ever each Town Meeting Member was provided with a copy of the Proposed FY 90-91 School Committee Budget in line item format. Mrs. Blanchard is entitled to an accolade for this achievement.

### **Department of Pupil Personnel Services**

The Pupil Personnel Services Department continues to provide system-wide ancillary and support services to the students of Swampscott in the areas of Special Education, English as a Second Language, Health Services, and Screening.



## Special Education

At present, 15.7% of our students or approximately 310 children receive some level of special education services. This figure is slightly lower than the state average and has been relatively consistent over the past several years. A further breakdown of the percentages finds 18.5% of the elementary population having special needs. At the middle school, 13.8% of the students receive services. At the high school the percentage falls to 7.9% of the school population.

Chapter 766, the Special Education Law in Massachusetts, mandates that the potential of special needs children be maximized and that they be educated in the least restrictive environment (LRE). The LRE is another term for mainstreaming or integration. Integrating special needs children into the mainstream of regular education has been a long-standing priority. There are various levels of integration - physical integration, social integration, academic integration, and community integration. Academic integration is what is most often referred to in Swampscott as appropriate for our students. Integration is more than a mere placement. It implies that the regular education teacher has primary responsibility for instruction. Special education staff supplies technical assistance, support, and direct instruction as student needs indicate. Educating children within the mainstream is a shared responsibility. This challenge requires hard work, training, and continuous modifications and revisions to meet children's needs. In Swampscott we are striving for purposeful integration and the vast majority of teachers are ready for the challenge of mainstreaming and are doing so very well.

Special education programs have remained basically unchanged with the exception of the middle school program. At the middle school, all children are mainstreamed and receive support within the heterogeneous grouping of the regular classes. Special education teachers and their aides work with regular education teachers and students in the mainstream setting using a team teaching approach. Although a relatively new practice in Swampscott, the initial impressions from students, parents, and special educators indicate that this has had positive and beneficial effects on the students.

Every other school building houses a resource room which serves children with mild to moderate special needs. A learning center is available at the primary, intermediate, and high school levels to serve those children with more substantial special needs. The learning centers offer some academic mainstreaming in addition to social and physical mainstreaming within regular education. The special needs

preschool is entering its second year as an integrated program. Speech therapy is provided by two full time pathologists at the elementary level. Because of the growing needs in this area, speech and language is provided at the preschool level, middle school, and high school on a contracted service basis. Occupational and physical therapy are provided to children with significant motor delays. Vision therapy is offered to a few children in our system who have acuity and sight problems. The school psychologist continues to provide cognitive and social-emotional assessments for children referred to special education for testing, direct counseling to students, and consultation to parents and teachers. A school psychology intern from Boston University has joined our system for practicum experience.

The North Shore Special Education Consortium continues to use a room at the Hadley School for a program for young developmentally delayed children. Swampscott has two youngsters tuitioned into this program. A total of nine children are currently tuitioned to programs outside of the Swampscott School system. Such placements are necessary as the local programs are unable to meet the specific and unique needs of these children.

The Swampscott Special Education Advisory Board (SEABoard) has developed into a viable and proactive parent group. The group acts as a support to the school system, staff members, and other parents. The group has successfully written its second Commonwealth Inservice Institute Grant in the amount of \$3272.00. The funds will support programs and inservice training for parents and teachers in the area of fostering children's self-esteem. Other SEABoard activities include:

- Participation in the annual Toys for Local Children effort
- Development of tri-annual newsletter
- Staff appreciation activities
- Monthly meetings to address issues, share information, and learn more about special education
- Assistance in kindergarten screening

The new goals of the group include sensitizing children and adults to the issues surrounding special needs and learning disabilities and having all become more aware and accepting of individual differences. Another grant in the amount of \$1000.00 is available to SEABoard to heighten awareness of special needs.

In addition to the aforementioned grants, the special education department has secured the following grants:

- Commonwealth Inservice Institute \$29,795.00 This grant. will allow for updated training in test administration and interpretation. The goal of the grant is to provide state of the art diagnostic measures in evaluating children for special needs.
- Early Childhood Special Education Grant \$13,050.00. This grant will continue to fund an additional aide for the special needs preschool in order to accommodate integrated children. Also, special programs on early childhood topics will be presented.
- P.L. 94-142 (federal special education grant) \$84,665.00 This federal entitlement funds a resource room teaching position and part-time school psychologist position. Funds are also used for inservice training programs, workshops, supplies, and materials.
- P.L. 89-313 (federal special education grant) \$8,450.00 This federal entitlement funds an aide position for the special needs preschool.

Per Chapter 766 and federal regulations, every aspect of special education must be evaluated every three years. Federally funded programs must be evaluated annually. In 1990, the following programs were evaluated by Educational Specialists Associates of North Andover:

- Resource Rooms
- Learning Centers
- Preschool Psychological Services
- Health Services
- Sped. Transportation
- Progress Reports
- Evaluation/Re-evaluation/Annual Review Process
- Screening

The evaluation consisted of collecting data through interviews with staff, review of files, review of forms and paperwork, and questionnaires completed by parents, regular educators, special educators, and administrators. The findings were very positive and identified several areas of commendation, primarily the expertise of special and regular educators and the improved procedures, processes, and paperwork within the special education department. Specific recommendations for program improvement were noted, in particular, better communication among specialists, classroom teachers and



parents. Parents expressed a desire to see more mainstreaming and more inservice education to support mainstreaming. A special education task force will be developed to address these issues and other issues relevant to special education. A full report is on file in the special education office.

## **English as a Second Language**

There has been a steady stream of foreign-speaking students enrolling in our system from kindergarten through grade 12. Over the course of the year, approximately 25 students received the services of an ESL tutor. The majority of students were Russian born and have recently immigrated to the United States. Other areas of the world being represented in Swampscott include Central America and South America. As students enroll in our school system, the ESL tutor evaluates their level of English proficiency including oral language, written language, and reading. Many students have had little or no prior instruction in English. Other students have had years of English instruction in their home country. The degree and level of English proficiency dictates the amount of tutorial services provided. Most students receive daily tutoring. Some students are seen only once or twice per week. The ESL program was supported last year by a healthy budget which allowed for the purchase of appropriate supplies and materials for the first time.

## **Health Services**

School health services are provided by two full-time registered nurses. One nurse is responsible for the middle school and high school while the other nurse divides time between the four elementary schools. The school nurses provide comprehensive health services and emergency care to students and staff members.

The school nurses are additionally responsible for maintaining student health records, providing medical consultation to parents, and overseeing medical clinics. Annual screening clinics have been held for vision, hearing, scoliosis, blood pressure, and lead poisoning. Dental and immunization clinics have also been held.

Additionally, the nurses assist with physical exams provided to our student athletes. Lastly, the school nurses have been active participants in the special education team evaluation process, conducting home/family assessments that provide educationally relevant developmental and medical histories.



Should financial resources become available, it would be recommended that the school nursing staff be increased. The increase in staffing would allow for increased medical coverage at each of the six schools and would allow the nurses to function as "teaching" nurses, providing direct instruction for our students in the medical and health issues of the 1990's.

## Screening

Several formal educational screening programs are conducted annually. A screening is a brief battery of tests assessing a child's overall development. The purpose of a screening is to determine if special needs may exist that would hinder a child's ultimate school achievement.

Kindergarten screening is required by special education laws for all children first entering kindergarten. The areas assessed include: speech, language, cognition, fine motor, gross motor, visual perception, auditory perception, vision and hearing. Last spring, approximately 185 students were screened for kindergarten. The screening teams in each school consist of the guidance counselor, resource room teachers, kindergarten teachers, speech pathologists, and school nurse.

The METCO screening occurs in the late spring and early fall of each year. Last year nine potential candidates were screened for acceptance into the Swampscott METCO program. Children are eligible for enrollment as METCO students in grade one. The screening team consists of the resource room teachers, remedial reading teachers, and speech pathologists.

Preschool screening is available at several points during the school year or at parent's request. This screening is for three and four year olds. The purpose and content is similar to the kindergarten screening program. Eight preschool children were screened in 1990.

## Guidance and Counseling

Guidance and counseling services are provided to students through the Department of Guidance under the direction of Mr. John McDevitt, Director of Guidance K-12. The restructuring of the department allowed for an increase of counseling services at the elementary level.

The Hadley and Stanley Elementary Schools have counselors available three days a week, while the Clarke and Machon have counselors providing services two days of the week. The services in

the elementary schools include both group counseling (developmental as well as specific issues groups) and individual counseling services for all children K-6. Crisis intervention assistance is also provided as need dictates. Other services provided by elementary counselors include coordination of the California Test for Basic Skills Program and ongoing consultations with parents regarding their children's academic progress as well as the children's psychological/development. An interesting aspect of the elementary program is the evening parent grade orientation with all members of the staff.

In the past year the guidance counselors visited all six grade classes in five elementary schools (the four Swampscott elementary schools as well as the Johnston School in Nahant). Accompanying the guidance counselor to the elementary schools were peer leaders from the high school. In addition, school group orientations were provided all grade 7 and grade 8 students.

In the Middle School, as in all schools, the guidance counselors are coordinators of all testing. This involves ordering, distribution and collection of materials, make-up testing, and assisting administrators with teacher scheduling. Test interpretation is a service provided by guidance. Mr. W. Eric Warne, Middle School counselor, has noted that staff contact in regards to student issues has been greatly enhanced due to the Middle School format which includes teacher teams. Information can be easily exchanged with teachers because of the teaming structure.

At Swampscott High School, as in all schools, guidance and counseling programs function to assist all pupils in: 1) assessing and understanding their abilities, aptitudes, interests, and educational needs; 2) increasing their understanding of educational and occupational opportunities and requirements; 3) helping them make the best possible use of these opportunities through the formulation and achievement of realistic goals; 4) helping pupils maintain normal personal-social adjustment; and 5) providing information useful to the professional staff, parents, and community in planning and evaluating the school's total program.

A new concept in post high school planning was developed by Mr. John McDevitt, Director of Guidance, and Mr. Donald Lucia and Ms. Judith Pressler, High School counselors. Swampscott has always been a traditionally college-oriented community with 85 per cent to 90 per cent of the high school graduates going on to traditional colleges. However, in an effort to serve not only the students of the high school who do not want to attend the traditional two or four-year college,

but also the adults of Swampscott and surrounding communities, a Technical and Career School Fair was held at Swampscott High School on October 25 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Over 40 schools and/or institutes participated. Following is a representative sampling:

Blaine Beauty School  
Barbizon School of Modeling  
Boston Teaching Hospitals - Health Care Careers  
North Bennett Street School  
Burdett Business College  
Essex Agriculture and Technical School  
Hallmark Institute of Photography  
The Elizabeth Grady School of Aesthetics  
The Culinary Institute of New Hampshire  
New England Institute of Technology  
Mount Ida: Veterinary Technician, Nutrition, and Fitness  
Management  
Southern Maine Vocational and Technical Institute  
Travel Education Center  
University of Massachusetts (The Stockbridge School)  
Women's Technical Institute  
Wentworth Institute of Technology

Communities invited to attend the Career and Technical Fair were: Lynn, Salem, Marblehead, Beverly, Peabody, Wakefield, Danvers, Reading, Hamilton, Amesbury, Newburyport, Byfield, Manchester and Ipswich.

### **The Clarke, Hadley, Machon and Stanley Elementary Schools**

The School Year 1989-1990 was a very active one. An ever-increasing number of staff and students engaged themselves in a myriad of student learning activities and professional staff development programs. As a result the instructional dimension of the school system witnessed the inauguration of new and exciting strategies and models to enhance the teaching and learning of students. A representative sampling of these strategies and models follow:

- Teachers throughout the system enrolled in a wide variety of inservice programs in order to familiarize themselves with many of the new models of instruction in writing, mathematics, reading, computers, and the middle school concept.



- The Extended Kindergarten and After School Programs under the direction of Ms. Deborah Gallant met with great success at the Clarke Elementary School. This program is a result of the school system's response to our changing society. With both parents employed, schools must respond in a "caring" fashion and adopt schedules that provide a safe haven for children until their working parents can be with them.
- Mrs. Francine Goldstein, who was appointed to the position of Reading Coordinator K-12, was instrumental in conducting two successful programs at the Clarke School. The first was a Summer Reading Incentive Program READS - "Reading Everything and Devouring Sundaes" (Sundaes courtesy of Mr. Winneger of Dale's) and a second program, "Book Swap." All children were given the opportunity to bring in books they had read and exchange them for books they had not read. The program met with great success and will be repeated next year.
- The Machon professional staff, under the direction of Mrs. Sheridan Matthiesen, Principal, commenced the development of a five-year plan along with parent/community members. The initial effort required that a needs assessment be undertaken for the purpose of identifying strengths and weaknesses of the Machon learning environment. Following an analysis of data gathered, goals and objectives will be identified for the School Year 1990-1991. The goals and values agreed upon included:
  - Achieve competence in basic learning skills and processes
  - Accept the responsibility of citizenship actions and practices
  - Demonstrate self-respect and self-discipline
  - Communicate thoughts and ideas through a variety of means
  - Pursue designs in learning through less homogeneous grouping, greater cooperative strategies, and application of higher order/critical thinking skills
- During American Education Week Congressman Nicholas Mavroules visited the Machon Elementary School and was interviewed by several Machon students. Interestingly, his presence at the school was but one of many activities that expanded the role of the recently formed Leopard Leaders of Machon. This group is composed of sixth grade students who serve in a leadership capacity within the school.



- As a result of the physical move of the Office of the Superintendent of Schools and the Swampscott School Committee, the administrative arm of the school system was finally in compliance with federal law which stipulates that such offices must be accessible to the physically handicapped. With "new" space available at the Hadley Elementary School, Ms. Gail Anderson, Ms. Margaret Halloran, and Ms. Barbara Dee established a Science Discovery Room that has proved to be a model for the other elementary schools in Swampscott.
- Students throughout the school system embarked on a campaign to write letters and send gifts to all American troops presently stationed in Saudi Arabia due to the "crisis in the Middle East." In the months of November and December many students received letters from their "buddies" in the armed services.
- Stanley School adopted a multicultural theme entitled "Around the World in 180 Days." This year the goal was to create in children an increased awareness and acceptance of individual differences through a combined exposure to various cultural programs. Funded by the Parent Teacher Organization, the increased emphasis on teaching about cultural diversity resulted in children coming to treat their peers with increased respect.
- Students at the Stanley Elementary School initiated a project with the Hood School in Lynn. Hood is a multicultural magnet school and, thus, provided our students with the opportunity to correspond with children of all races and cultures. Teachers communicated by way of a telecommunication "hook-up" with Gordon College in Wenham. Teachers and students exchanged messages via a computer telephone system.
- Mrs. Sheridan Matthiesen, Principal/Director of Learning of the Machon School, was accepted as a participant in The Commonwealth Leadership Academy's Leadership Institute on Curriculum Leadership. The Institute is designed to assist school administrators enhance their leadership skills in improving instruction and educational services in their schools. Mrs. Matthiesen is required to develop an action plan which conceptualizes and describes the significant goals she wishes to focus on over the next three years.
- Principal/Director of Learning Margaret Griffin of the Hadley Elementary School was the recipient of the Sylvia D. Brown Scholarship Award. This prestigious recognition was presented to her by the Massachusetts Reading Association.

## Swampscott Middle School

On May 22, 1990 the Swampscott School Committee unanimously endorsed the concept of Middle School and voted to implement a Middle School organization for grades seven and eight in September, 1990. Mr. Ronald Landman, as Principal of the Middle School, was delegated the responsibility by the Superintendent of Schools to effectuate the School Committee's vote for students in grades seven and eight. It was determined that a decision to include grade six students in the middle school configuration would be made in January, 1991. Mr. Landman began his planning within the framework of the policies and goals established by the School Committee and the Superintendent of Schools. The planning process required defining specific needs, establishing objectives, generating alternative paths, analyzing the alternatives, and selecting the optimum. In operationalizing a new middle school, or as in the case of Swampscott, moving a traditional junior high school to a middle school, certain steps and organizational changes are needed. The school must come to reflect:

- Greater individualized/personalized programs to account for diversity in the personality, ability, and acceptance of each student.
- Maximum, active participation by the student in the learning process.
- Adoption of a "culture" among all staff of an acceptance in initiating, evaluating, and modifying curriculum and instructional programs - in fact, increasing time on task for higher academic achievement.
- A more flexible and efficient use of personnel and facilities

Recognizing that change affects individuals in a variety of ways every effort was made to involve staff, community, parents, and administrators in understanding the middle school concept and the components contained within such a system. However, more staff development programs must be provided as well as parent seminars to keep all those affected by the decision knowledgeable as to the status of the process of transformation and to assist in identifying strengths as well as weaknesses, in order that those weaknesses can be addressed and corrected.

- All faculty participated in computer workshops in order that the system-wide objective of integrating computers into daily instruction can be accomplished.

- English teachers under the direction of Mr. Donald Babcock, Department Chairman, participated in a summer workshop in order that a smooth transition from a traditional structure to a flexible structure could be achieved.
- The Mathematics Department, under the aegis of Mr. Carl Jack, Department Head, used grant money to conduct several workshops for mathematics teachers to ensure coordination between the middle school and the high school.
- Seventh grade students were assigned "Reading" for six days per six day cycle - an increase of three days per cycle. Three days are scheduled with teacher instruction and three days for "reading in silence."
- Study periods were eliminated.
- Team-Time was created, thus, building into the schedule "time" for remediation, accelerated studies, and enrichment. Band and Chorus were scheduled during this period.
- Heterogeneous grouping replaced homogeneous grouping in English, Social Studies, and Science.

### **Swampscott High School**

The instructional program offered by the staff continues to deliver a strong, comprehensive education for all high school students. Every year programs are added, deleted, modified, or revised in order that we respond to our clients. The list which follows contains changes, by department, that occurred in 1990:

#### **Curriculum and Program Highlights**

##### **English**

- A new Writing Laboratory was instituted where all students have the opportunity to further develop their writing skills under the supervision of a member of the English Department on new word processing equipment.

##### **English/Social Studies**

- An American Studies Program was developed combining a 2-level junior English and United States History course taught by both Ms. Joanna Defeo and Mr. Jon Flanagan.

## Mathematics

- Courses for students experiencing difficulty in mathematics were expanded and their content clarified and revised under the direction of first-year department chair, Mr. Carlton Jack.

## World Languages

- A new course, Essentials of Spanish I, was offered to students who wish to pursue a two-year sequence. Essentials of Spanish II will be available for 1991-1992.
- Latin is enjoying an amazing resurgence of interest!

## Science

- This year all lab science classes met daily with a double lab period once a cycle resulting in a 16 per cent increase in science instruction for all students enrolled in all lab science courses.
- Advanced Placement Physics and Calculus were scheduled to meet in a block of 15 periods every six days providing more classroom time in both areas.

## Practical Arts

- Exploratory Industrial Arts was restored to a full-year course.
- Math courses for the non-college bound student were increased and expanded.

## Fine Arts

- Four new art courses were added to the Program of Studies
  - Introduction to Painting
  - Introduction to Sculpture
  - Introduction to Graphic Design
  - Introduction to Photography
- The chorus saw an amazing growth from no chorus in 1987-1988 to seven students the following year, to fourteen students last year. This year twenty-five students were enrolled.



In addition, other decisions were made which will positively impact education at Swampscott High School. Three courses are offered on a Pass/Fail basis. They are:

- Introduction to Computers
- Personal Typing
- Personal Word Processing

Following an extensive review of our unweighted class ranking system, we chose to include all courses in the calculation of a student's Grade Point Average and Rank-in-class with the exception of Physical Education, Health, Reading, Study Skills, S.A.T. Preparation, and Resource room. All other courses previously excluded are now included.

### **Major Improvements in Equipment, Building, and Grounds**

1990 was a year in which significant improvement was seen regarding the physical environment of Swampscott High School. Among those changes were:

- The intercommunication system from room to room and from classroom to office was brought to full utilization.
- All lockers in the Roger Wing were electrostatically painted a uniform color providing a clean, fresh look to the entire Roger Wing. Missing and/or damaged locker doors were replaced.
- Damaged ceiling tiles were replaced throughout the building.
- Roof leaks were repaired.
- Extensive interior painting was done throughout the building.
- The interior and exterior of the elevator was electrostatically painted.
- All library furniture was upgraded as follows:
  - Tables resurfaced and strengthened
  - All chairs were strengthened
  - Easy chairs were reupholstered
- A new display case was constructed in an area vacated by lockers which were moved to the Roger Wing.

- Damaged counter tops in Shaw Wing classes were replaced.
- A new lighting system was installed in the Little Theatre

The above described work created a much improved working environment and learning atmosphere which heightened the morale of the teachers and increased a sense of pride among the student body.

### Major or Interesting Events

During the course of any school year, in addition to the daily routine of the school, there are significant events, activities, and accomplishments which stand out as marking one year as distinct from the rest. In 1990, there were numerous such instances. Included among them were the following:

#### January

- The Parent-Teacher Forum presented a tribute to Martin Luther King.
- The High School Bands and Chorus participated in the Annual Winter Music Concert.
- The Sophomore Class conducted a ski trip to Mount Stratton.
- The Drama Club presented its production of "The Bad Seed."
- Monthly release days were held to allow the professional staff to work on the self-study phase of the accreditation process.

#### February

- Swampscott High students who were members of the political Action Club participated in the Harvard Model Congress.
- The Student Council conducted their annual Carnation Sale on Valentine's Day.
- Swampscott High Senior Stacy Klickstein received an honorable mention award from the Jewish War Veterans of Massachusetts at the annual "Classmates Today - Neighbors Tomorrow" breakfast.
- The Guidance Department conducted a successful Medical Careers Day.

#### March

- The Junior class went on a weekend ski trip.
- The Winter Boosters Sports Award program was conducted.
- The annual senior show was presented.

- S.U.C.C.E.S.S., Swampscott's Local Education Foundation, continued to make progress in its efforts to explore fund raising activities.
- The Animal Rights Club sponsored a highly successful fund raising concert at the Middle School auditorium.
- The Drama Club participated in the annual Boston Globe High School Drama Festival.
- The annual visit of two Israeli students was held and our students had the opportunity to learn first hand about life in Israel.
- The Parent Teacher Forum ran an evening program for teachers and parents on the topic: "Teacher Evaluation."
- The Animal Rights Club conducted a "Meat Out" Day.
- School Committee members visited the high school to discuss the issue of rank-in-class with interested students.
- Swampscott High School was visited by the band from Red Hook (New York) Central High School.
- The Annual Hogan Party for the mentally retarded was coordinated through the efforts of the Special Programs Office.

### April

- The High School Spring Concert was presented in the Little Theatre.
- Swampscott High School students conducted a Mock Town Meeting.
- The Junior Prom was held at the Danversport Yacht club in Danvers.
- The Junior class presented their annual Variety Show.
- Students for Social Responsibility conducted an Awareness Day at Swampscott High School.

### May

- Nine Swampscott High School seniors were recognized for academic excellence at the annual Honor Scholars Night sponsored by the North Shore Chamber of Commerce.
- Students participated in the annual Walk-for-Hunger.
- The Student Council conducted another successful Blood Drive for the American Red Cross.
- The Fine Arts Department presented its annual Fine Arts Festival.
- The Annual Underclassmen Student Recognition Ceremony was held in the high school gym.
- The Senior Prom was held at the new Peabody Marriott.
- The Special Programs Office sponsored a Vietnam Veterans

### Awareness Day.

- Swampscott High School opened its doors to the public in a new, during-the-school-day Open House.
- The Athletic Department presented a First Aid/Injury Night for Swampscott's school and town coaches.
- An evening orientation meeting was held for parents to review the course selection process.
- The Drama Club presented its first-ever musical "Guys and Dolls."
- Swampscott High School students, under the direction of the Class of 1992, held its first-ever "Senior Citizen Appreciation Day."
- Swampscott High School hosted the Swampscott Rotary Club at a luncheon held in the cafeteria with Massachusetts Commissioner of Education Harold Raynolds as the featured speaker.
- The Sophomore Class participated in a Harbor Cruise in Boston Harbor.
- Seniors were recognized for outstanding achievement and participation at the Annual Senior Banquet and Awards Presentation at the Marblehead Elks Club.

### June

- Graduation exercises for the Class of 1990 were held at Blocksidge Field followed by a reception for all teachers K-12 in the High School Cafeteria.
- The Band presented its annual Pops concert in the High School Cafeteria.
- The Spring Boosters Awards Program and Cookout was held in the High School Cafeteria.
- The Senior Class went on a "mystery outing" to Cedardale in Groveland.
- Grade 8 students visited Swampscott High School to familiarize themselves with their future new surroundings.
- The Freshman Class celebrated the end of final exams by going on a class trip to Canobie Lake Park.
- Swampscott voted to override Proposition 2½.

### September

- Varsity Sports Captains held an evening meeting for all athletes to discuss school and state athletic rules.
- Swampscott High School announced the names of four National Merit Semi-finalists and six Commended Students.



- The Annual Fall All-Sports Rally opened the fall sports season with great excitement and enthusiasm.
- The School Committee and Student Council hosted a reception for the custodial and maintenance crew to thank them for their extraordinary efforts during the summer months in preparing the schools for the opening of school in September.

## October

- Swampscott High School welcomed approximately 400 parents to its Annual Open House.
- The 14th Annual Swampscott-Marblehead College Fair was held in the Marblehead High School Gym.
- Swampscott High School mourned the loss of long-time teacher and friend, Michael J. Spencer, by closing school on the day of his funeral.
- Swampscott High School Football was featured during a halftime show of a TV telecast on Turner Network Television.
- Swampscott High School hosted the 14 member Visiting Committee from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges for four days in the second phase of the accreditation process.
- A release day program dealing with "stress management" was conducted for the high school faculty.
- The Guidance Department offered its first ever Career and Technical Fair.
- The Sophomore Class held a Halloween Haunted House for elementary school-aged children.
- Under the auspices of the special Programs Office, dozens of high school students in costume visited North Shore Children's Hospital and Salem Hospital.

## November

- November marked the official kickoff of the Toys for Local Children Campaign.
- Thirty-one students were inducted into the National Honor Society.
- The Parent Teacher Forum conducted a program on drug and alcohol use by high school aged students.
- The Guidance Program "Playing the Selective College Admissions Game" was offered to interested parents.
- Freshmen visited Washington, D.C. accompanied by their American Government teachers.
- The Senior Class Spirit Dance ushered in Spirit Week.

- The Second Annual "Cafe Night" was presented to an enthusiastic audience.
- A special AIDS Awareness Program and Photographic Exhibit was presented to all Swampscott High School students, as arranged by Mrs. Rotner, Chairman of the School Committee.
- The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony was recreated for the Freshman Class during the school day.
- Swampscott High School students penned letters to servicemen in the Persian Gulf as part of the "Helping at Home" Program.
- The opera "Rigoletto" played to an enthusiastic student audience.

## December

- The Guidance Department offered its Annual Financial Aid Night The Boosters Club honored its Fall Athletes at its triannual awards program.
- College freshmen returned to Swampscott High School to discuss "The Freshman Experience" with high school seniors.
- The International Relations Club conducted its two-day Model United Nations.
- The Drama Club presented its production of "Up the Down Staircase."
- Amnesty International conducted a Human Rights Day.
- High school faculty participated in an early release day program which assisted them in infusing service-learning activities into their classes.

## School Buildings and Grounds

The physical plant of each school is showing the years of neglect and the lack of maintenance. All the schools are in need of masonry work, ceiling repair, painting, improved electrical service, and locker replacement. Repeating my statement of last year, "Increased funding must be forthcoming in order that our schools remain safe and secure for the student body and the staff." Furthermore, I earnestly request that monies be made available in order that the Middle School and the Hadley School be made accessible to the physically handicapped.

The following list identifies projects undertaken in each school:

### High School

- Asbestos removal was accomplished on boilers, breaching, and pipes in boiler room and each area reinsulated.
- Painting program in all classrooms continued.

- Lockers electrostatically repainted
- A small roof was replaced with a new rubber roof.
- Gym lighting was replaced by Massachusetts Electric.
- A new light panel was installed in the Little Theatre.

## Middle School

- Asbestos removal was accomplished on boilers, breaching, pipes, janitor's room, Room 10, fan room, second floor, cafeteria and kitchen, teachers' lounge, music room, and each area reinsulated.
- Rooms 301, 302, 303 in the Middle School were renovated.
- One hundred and thirty-four light fixtures were changed by Massachusetts Electric.
- A new flag pole was donated to the school and installed.
- A new fence in back of the gym was purchased and installed through the efforts of volunteers and their fund raising.

## Clarke School

- Overhauled steam traps.

## Hadley School

- Asbestos was removed in the following areas: fan room, pipe insulation under corridor hall near library, Room 306, Room 301 (closet), and reinsulation took place.
- Replaced two burners on boilers.
- Painting program continued.
- Replaced hot water heater.
- Classrooms were established in the old Business Office and Pupil Personnel Services offices.
- New steam traps were installed.

## Machon School

- Asbestos repair was accomplished on pipes, boiler, and breaching.
- Replaced two burners on boilers.
- New steam traps were installed.
- New light fixtures were installed by Massachusetts Electric.

## Stanley School

- Asbestos removal was completed in the boiler room, from pipes, from boiler, and from breaching in the custodian room.

- Two new boilers and burners were installed and complete reinsulation accomplished.
- New steam traps were installed.
- New electric panels were installed.
- New light fixtures were installed by Massachusetts Electric.
- A new drop ceiling and lighting was installed on the first floor and in the new wing classrooms and corridors.
- The painting program continued.
- New windows were installed on the back part of the new wing.

## Recommendations

As I close my fourth annual report I reaffirm my belief that we must continue to expand the concept of participatory decision-making. All those to be affected by a decision must be engaged in the process of making that decision. Furthermore, consideration must be given to the establishment of school site management. Finally, the principal, as instructional leader, must "lead" staff and students in his/her school community each and every day of the year.

The School Year 1989-1990 witnessed professional staff delivering to students a myriad of services and activities to an increasingly diverse student body. These efforts remained undiminished throughout the year, even when confronted with diminished financial support an incredibly resilient teaching staff served the students. This year saw enrollment on the rise in the elementary schools, a harbinger of increased enrollment at all levels, thus, necessitating requests for additional staff next year and in the years following. This diversity and increased enrollment serve as guideposts as we continue to make our instructional program better and better. The recommendations which follow are the same as I provided last year. Our needs remain the same.

**Recommendation One.** A Learner Responsive School System is our top priority. As more and more data reveal the changing family patterns and the altered nature of society and its values, we must respond by considering the need for:

- Expansion of English as a Second Language Program.
- Transitional kindergarten centers in each elementary school  
Self-sustaining day care centers in each elementary school.
- Utilization of sophisticated technology, i.e. satellite learning, teleconferencing, interactive video and voice activated computer systems.



Every effort must be made to individualize and personalize the teaching/learning process in order to respond to an everchanging, more mobile student body.

**Recommendation Two.** All individuals to be affected by a decision should be given the opportunity to participate, if they desire, in the process of making that decision. This is required if we wish to maintain a high level of morale and a productive learning environment.

**Recommendation Three.** Management Information Systems. An increased use of high technology can result in instantaneous retrieval of data. Such information will lead to improved decision making which enables us to maintain an effective and efficient delivery system of instructional services.

**Recommendation Four.** Accountability. The management -by-objective process will continue to be the preferred mode of management. The Superintendent of Schools has met with each central office administrator and building principal in order that mutually agreed upon objectives are established and achieved. All administrators are evaluated on their performance against the criteria established in the MBO conferences. Furthermore, the School Committee has received as part of their budget documentation the goals and objectives of the Administration for a three-year period. Finally, It should be noted that the Superintendent of Schools has his performance evaluated in an "open session" of a School Committee meeting. Nonetheless, as long as there persists even just one "doubting individual" who questions the veracity and/or performance of the school system leadership we will continue to make every effort to convey and to prove the "openness" of this administration.

**Recommendation Five.** Curriculum/Instruction. The appointment of elementary school Principals/Directors of Learning and the funding, though extremely limited, of workshops as requested by social studies and language arts staff has resulted in an analysis of our computer, social studies, science, writing, reading, and fine arts curricula. The establishment of Curriculum Committees at the elementary level is the prelude to curriculum revision and textbook adoption/replacement. The same can be said of the establishment of a Curriculum Planning Team composed of all chairpersons of the various departments 7-12.

**Recommendation Six.** A vital component of the teaching/learning process is the provision of professional growth and in-service

programs for all staff based on identified needs by the staff, and mandated policies. The Swampscott Public School system, if it is to maintain its reputation as one of the leading school systems, must receive sufficient funding to enable it to provide the most up-to-date staff development workshops.

**Recommendation Seven.** Changes in Society. Continuous scanning of the environment is an absolute necessity if we are to survive as a viable, productive school system. As an "open system" it is our responsibility to respond to the external environment and when necessary adapt, modify, and revise.

**Recommendation Eight.** Plant. As I stated last year, the physical plant is in need of major renovation and repair. Items in need of maintenance have too long been ignored. These items represent an anticipated expenditure of one to one and a half million dollars.

### Conclusion

In bringing closure to my annual report to the citizens of Swampscott, I recall the support which I have received from the staff of the Swampscott Public Schools and the citizens of the Town of Swampscott. I am deeply appreciative and thankful for all they have done for the children, for the town, and for me personally. I am most fortunate in that I work for a School Committee that is comprised of individuals who care deeply for each and every child and respect learning. I am honored to associate with colleagues who are aware of the faith which parents have in them and who strive mightily to provide programs of merit and value. It is a staff that is "driven" to achieve the impossible because they possess the attributes of commitment and integrity. And lastly, I express my gratitude to the parents and other members of the community who worked with great diligence to override Proposition 2½ and gave us "breathing room" to continue our move forward.

It is my intention to continue energetically in my quest and that of my colleagues to achieve our mission - Fulfilling the Goal of Excellence. It must be noted, however, that the present status of our economy portends difficult times ahead. Funding is still inadequate and as I stated last year, "quality learning programs and exemplary instructional services do not come without some financial cost."

Some of our detractors contend that declining enrollments should result in declining budgets. It is not true. First we are in a period of increasing enrollment, and second the rising cost of materials,

resources, labor, fuel, energy, etc., necessitate additional funds - if only to stand still.

As Superintendent of Schools I have a moral obligation and duty to make every effort to provide a program of learning excellence for the most cherished of resources, our children. They are our future. I promise you my continued commitment to this duty.

I will close by inserting in my report the quote which follows. It was published in the April, 1990 issue of "Educational Leadership" and was authored by principal Barry Raebach of Virginia. I am in concert with its message.

**"Classrooms are windows to the world:** Students are in and out of classrooms regularly. The earth is the laboratory. The schoolroom an adjunct.

**"Teachers are co-learners and facilitators as much as lecturers and experts:** Technology abounds, and so does laughter. Instruction is never 'delivered' as if knowledge came by UPS. Rather, knowledge is acquired, grasped, played with, modified, questioned, challenged, used, discarded, and reacquired. Knowledge is a teaching/learning process — not something static in a book. Wisdom is something far less quantifiable still.

**"There are many ways to learn:** Students work individually, in pairs, in small groups, and in large groups, depending on the action. Sometimes there is competition, sometimes autonomy, sometimes cooperation. Often the students teach each other - and even the teacher. There is much to be learned from young people when we allow it to come forth.

**"Students should be treated with respect:** We treat our students as we ourselves would like to be treated, in an atmosphere of wholeness, freshness, interdisciplinary exploration, joy, risk taking, color, variety, light, sound, art, music, movement creativity, intensity, challenge — and the firm belief in everyone's always doing one's best."



## Swampscott Traffic Study Committee — 1990

The Swampscott Traffic Study Committee now has three members plus an ex- officio member from the Police Department.

While traffic volume is still our major concern, no large developments have been initiated during 1990 to add to the problem. We will be watching with interest changes proposed for the Swampscott Mall.

We will continue to attend meetings of the Board of Appeals and the Planning Board when proposals that affect traffic are considered.

Respectfully submitted,

William H. McCarty, Chairman

Louise M. LaConte, Secretary

Michael A. Palleschi

George Gately, Ex-Officio

## Veterans Services

### Memorial Day

On May 30 at 10:00 a.m. Memorial Services began with an outdoor Mass in St. John the Evangelist parking lot. Monsignor Carroll was the main celebrant and gave his usual inspirational sermon.

Upon completion of the Mass, the delegation from the VFW Post 1240, units from the State National Guard and Public Officials participated in the decoration of memorials at the various locations on Monument Avenue.

Reverend Slater of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Greater Lynn in Swampscott gave the Invocation and Benediction.

The procession then proceeded to the Swampscott Cemetery where rituals, prayers and decoration of the graves concluded the day's ceremonies.

An Open House was held at the VFW Post 1240 on Pine Street immediately following the Memorial Services and ceremonies.



## Veterans Day

On Sunday, November 11 at 11:00 a.m. appropriate ceremonies were held at the World War I monument on Monument Avenue.

Invocation and Benediction was given by VFW Post 1240 Commander Fred Fried.

Board of Selectmen Chairman Robert E. Perry and Selectman Daniel R. Santanello addressed the gathering on behalf of the Town followed by a military ritual conducted by a firing squad. Taps concluded the ceremony.

An Open House was held immediately following the ceremony at VFW Post 1240 Headquarters on Pine Street.

During my attendance at several meetings of the Northern Massachusetts Association and the Mid Winter Conference of the Massachusetts Veterans Services Association, I observed the concern of many Veterans Agents over the fact that some important veterans entitlements were being scaled down, i.e., the possibility of the closing of the Chelsea and Holyoke Veterans Hospitals were being considered.

However, at a rally of veterans on the State House steps in October the veterans were assured by candidates and future State office holders that the hospitals would not be closed.

The year closed on a somber financial note, however, this department will attempt to continue to serve the veterans and the Town in as efficient manner as possible.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles H. Popp  
Veterans Agent

# Swampscott War Memorial Scholarship Fund

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The Trustees are grateful to everyone who gave memorial gifts to this Memorial Fund. The sole purpose of this Fund is to provide some financial assistance to present and future high school graduates of Swampscott who continue on to higher education.

To each donor, by your donation you have created your own scholarship for your donation has been placed in the perpetual capital of the Memorial.

**Donations for My Favorite Teacher Memorial:** Louise C. Stanley (The Stanley School was named for her); Ernest Manchin, Alice Durgin, Minnie Pagnotta.

**The Honor Roll of Special Memorial Scholarships:** Christopher W. Ratley, as scholarship recipient (1965), in memory of his mother, Priscilla Waldo Papin.

**The Two Sisters Memorial Scholarship:** In memory of Eleanor M. (Currie) Ludlam and A. M. Florence (Currie) Ludlam. Their husbands William A. Ludlam and Natale Coraine, both veterans of World War II and both, and others established the scholarship. All four were graduated from Swampscott High School.

**Wayfarers Lodge of Masons Scholarship:** In memory of their members (see previous reports). In memory of Erland Townsend, Alexander Glass, G. Waldren, Herman A. Goodwin, Walter E. Stapleton, Theodore J. Soteris, M. A. Cherkosky, C. Cudmore, W. Eastman, Ralph E. Gould, Milton S. Braverman, Harold Sherman, Arthur B. Gormley.

**Alphonse and Marie C. Chiancone Scholarship:** Established by Marie C. Chiancone.

**The Honor Roll of Special Donors and Fund Raisers:** Willis E. Doughty, Ida S. Pinto, Minnie Pagnotta, Ernest Manchin, M. Louise Benevento, Joseph Pinto, Ernest Manchin, Past Commander V.F.W., John H. Crokley, Jr., Past Commander V.F.W., Otto W. Friedman, Mary Manchin, Benjamin Goldberg, one of the original Trustees and Secretary of this Memorial, Gloria Gilman Ludlam and William Ludlam, Wayfarers Lodge of Masons.

**Donations Received During the Year Honored the Memory of:** Natale Coraine, Luigi Valleriani, Erland Townsend, Alexander Glass, Helen McRobie, Ella Di Camillo, Edgar Beaudit, Nancy Gallo, Tony Conigliano, G. Waldren Blake, Herman Q. Goodwin, Walter Stapleton, Theodore J. Soteris, Austin D. Mosco, Past Commander of V.F.W., James J. Levesque, Mary Gambale, Carl Morse, Lillian T. Friedman, Robert P. Basco, Alice Gardner, M. A. Cherkosky, C. Cudmore, W. Eastman, Helen Goldberg, also for her generous donations. Robert C. Hunt, Ralph E. Gould, Milton S. Braverman, Harold Shuman, Arthur R. Gormley, Alexander Redford, Henry, Sarah and James Manchin.

**Five Tuition Scholarships Totaling \$2600 were awarded as follows:**

- \$600 Jennifer E. Moyse — President George Washington
- \$600 Marleigh A. Phillips — President Lincoln Scholarship — Trinity College
- \$500 Eric J. Pinstein — Swampscott War Memorial Scholarship — Columbia University
- \$500 Kimberlee Tarr — Swampscott War Memorial Scholarship — Brandeis University
- \$400 Julian E. Johannesen — Swampscott War Memorial Scholarship — Cornell University

To date 170 Swampscott students have been awarded scholarships totalling \$45,300. The memorial was established by vote of Town meeting March 28, 1950.

**To All Donors:** As this is a Perpetual Memorial, your donation will increase in amount and total amount of scholarships also will increase several meetings of the Trustees and the Subcommittee were held at the Public Library. The balance in the Fund as of December 31, 1990 was \$79,850.71.

# Swampscott Arts Lottery Council

The Massachusetts Arts Lottery Council was created in 1979 to provide funding for the arts in every municipality across the state. Local arts lottery councils were formed under their guidance to distribute funds in a way that benefits people in each unique community. Funds are allotted to each eligible community through a portion of Massachusetts Lottery ticket sales.

This year the Swampscott Arts Lottery Council received the largest allotment since the program began. This was due in part to the large cultural interest expressed through the Arts Council, and in part to a one time administrative change which merged the Mass. Arts Lottery Program and the Mass. Council on the Arts and Humanities.

The Swampscott Arts Council was pleased to distribute over \$6000 in Arts Lottery grants and another \$1300 for school PASS programs. Funded programs included: a free concert of Mozart music, ethnic music, an art exhibit of local artists, a professional storyteller, a ballet as well as cultural programs for students, seniors and a Very Special Arts program.

Arts council members were saddened by the death of member Rozelda Olanoff, who, like each member, made thoughtful contributions to the group.

The Arts Council thanks the officials who help make this program work.

Members:

Cindy Madfis Blonder, Chair

Maggie Gupta

Anna Irving

Jane MacDonald

Esther Mulroy, Treasurer

Agnes Raymond

Whitney White

Alice Jane Winston



# Department of Weights and Measures

John F. O'Hare, Inspector

1990 Report.

The sum of (\$1335) thirteen hundred thirty-five dollars was collected for sealing and testing fees with the breakdown as follows:

Scales & Balances	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
100-1000 lbs.	1	3		
over 10 lbs. & under 100 lbs.	10	47		
10 lbs. or less	3	6		
<b>Weights</b>				
Metric		42		
Apothecary		53		
<b>Liquid Measuring Meters</b>	3	113	2	
(gasoline)				
Oil - Grease		4		
<b>Other Devices</b>				
Fabric Measuring		3		
Rope		2		
Yard Sticks		10		
<b>Totals for Year</b>	14	283	2	

Respectfully submitted,

John F. O'Hare

# Bargaining Agent

Arthur J. Palleschi, Esquire

As Collective Bargaining Agent for the greater part of the year, I should like to present this report of the activities of the Collective Bargaining Agent.

During the past year, I, together with various members of the Board of Selectmen, successfully negotiated labor contracts with representatives of the Police, Public Works, Town Hall, and Library unions.

These contracts were fair and equitable, for labor and management as well, in spite of these difficult financial times.

I am particularly pleased to report, that over the past year, labor strife has been at a minimum and cooperation has been at a maximum.

## Town Counsel

Arthur J. Palleschi, Esquire

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott, I am pleased to once again present to the citizens of Swampscott, the Annual Report of the Town Counsel; however, this year, unlike in years past, the Town Counsel has not been fully and unequivocally supported due to a number of reasons, which will go unmentioned in this report. Suffice it to say, that the best interests of the Town were compromised.

It seems every year there are two or three celebrated cases which require a great deal of time, effort and expense for the law department.

During the past year, the case of Drucas, et al vs. the Town of Swampscott and Grimes, et al vs. the Town of Swampscott were two such cases.

The Drucas case was tried to conclusion in the Land Court and the Grimes case is soon due for trial following several preliminary hearings over the past year.

A number of complicated workmen's compensation cases as well as several serious personal injury cases have occupied much of the Town Counsel's time and effort.

Local government involves a great deal of detail and so it is with government in Swampscott, all of which requires that Town Counsel, on a daily basis, research complex questions of law and render various formal legal opinions to board and department heads.

This year was no exception, as Town Counsel was called upon to furnish no fewer than sixty-seven (67) formal legal opinions.

In closing, I should like to thank all those who helped to make my task easier, and in particular, Sister Josette Parisi, the retired Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen and to the new Administrative Assistant, Patricia George.

## **Service to Town**

On behalf of the citizens of Swampscott, the Board of Selectmen expresses appreciation to the following people who gave service to the Town and who resigned in 1990.

### **Charter Commission**

Douglas F. Allen

### **Conservation Commission**

Sarah Ingalls

### **Constables to Post Warrants &**

### **Other Similar Work**

Arlene Maguire

### **Finance Committee**

Mark J. Thompson

Gerard D. Perry

### **Assistant Harbormasters**

Michael J. Gambale

William W. Guay

### **Harbor Advisory Committee**

William W. Guay

### **Board of Health**

Robert W. Murphy

Theodore A. Dushan, M.D.

Steven H. Lefkowitz, M.D.

### **Committee to Study Installation of**

### **Automatic Sprinklers in New**

### **Residential Construction**

John Doherty

### **Memorial Day Committee**

Genevieve D'Agnese

### **School Committee**

Henry S. Demboski



## In Memoriam

Donato Dandreo  
Foreman, Dept. of Public Works  
Died: January 1, 1990

Edna I. Morrison  
High School Teacher  
Died: January 9, 1990

Herman Goodwin  
Council on Aging  
Died: March 9, 1990

Thomas J. Murtagh  
School System Employee  
Died: March 12, 1990

Austin D. Mosco  
Dept. of Public Works  
Retired: 1972 after 31 years  
Director of Housing Authority  
Died: April 3, 1990

Ralph N. Murray  
Chairman, School Committee — 1940's and 50's  
Died: April 12, 1990

M. Jane Shanahan  
Swampscott School Teacher  
Secretary, Planning Board  
Died: April 20, 1990

Robert L. McVie  
Secretary, Finance Committee  
Died: April 29, 1990

## In Memoriam

Rozelda Olanoff  
Member: Arts Council  
Died: July 5, 1990

Phyllis Blanchette  
Member: Historical Society  
Died: July 19, 1990

David Fried  
Building Code Board of Appeals  
Died: August 8, 1990

Margaret Scanlon-Crickenberger  
Town Hall Employee  
Retired: 1970  
Died: August 27, 1990

Michael J. Spencer  
High School History Teacher  
Died: September 26, 1990

James N. Harris  
Member: Historical Society  
Former Assistant Building Inspector  
Died: December 5, 1990

Francis J. Cassidy  
Board of Selectmen: 1964-1970  
Member: Charter Commission  
Former Member: Housing Authority and  
Recreation Commission

## Important Swampscott Telephone Numbers

### EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Ambulance .....	595-1111
Fire/Rescue .....	592-2121
Police .....	595-1111
Civil Defense .....	598-5231

### For Information About:

Accounts Payable  
 Assessments  
 Bicycle Licenses  
 Birth Certificates  
 Board of Appeals  
 Building Permits  
 Burial Permits  
 Business Certificates  
 Cemetery  
 Census  
 Conservation  
 Death Certificates  
 Dog Licenses  
 Dogs, Lost or Found  
 Electrical Permits  
 Engineering  
 Fire Permits  
 Fishing/Hunting Licenses  
 Gas Permits  
 Library  
 Marriage Licenses/Certs  
 Parks/Playgrounds  
 Plumbing Permits  
 Public Housing  
 Recreation  
 Schools  
 Senior Citizen Activities  
 Sewers and Streets  
 Street Lighting  
 Tax Collections  
 Tennis Permits  
 Trash Collections  
 UCC Filings  
 Veterans Benefits  
 Voter Registrations  
 Water  
 Weights and Measures  
 Zoning

### Call:

Accountant .....	596-8859
Assessors .....	596-8858
Police .....	595-1111
Town Clerk .....	596-8856
Eileen Ventresca .....	595-5393
Building Inspector .....	596-8864
Health Department .....	596-8864
Town Clerk .....	596-8856
Public Works .....	596-8863
Election Commission .....	596-8855
Conservation Commission .....	596-8853
Town Clerk .....	596-8856
Town Clerk .....	596-8856
Dog Officer .....	596-8871
Building Department .....	596-8857
Public Works .....	596-8860
Fire Department .....	596-4050
Town Clerk .....	596-8856
Building Department .....	596-8857
Public Library .....	596-8867
Town Clerk .....	596-8856
Public Works .....	596-8860
Building Department .....	596-8857
Housing Authority .....	596-5516
Recreation Commission .....	596-8854
School Department .....	596-8800
Council on Aging .....	596-8866
Public Works .....	596-8860
Selectmen .....	596-8850
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Health Department .....	596-8864
Town Clerk .....	596-8856
Veterans Services .....	596-8853
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Public Works .....	596-8860
Sealer of Weights/Meas. ....	596-5476
Building Inspector .....	596-8864

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